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GUNMEN RAID NAAFI IN HAIFA

Jew Killed: British Store Manager Wounded

SINO-U.S. War Threat Looms

NAVAL PACT?

Nanking, Dec. 5.
A Sino-American naval agreement is expected to be signed shortly, according to a reliable pro-government newspaper report in Nanking this morning.
The pact is reported to provide for the transfer of warships, including cruisers and other auxiliary ships, to China and the training of Chinese naval personnel.
The United States Embassy in Nanking had no comment to make on the report, while Chinese Naval Headquarters said that they have received no official reports from the United States on the subject.
—Reuter-AAP.

Ambassador To China Pays Visit

Britain's Ambassador to China, Sir Ralph Stevenson, and Lady Stevenson arrived in Hong Kong yesterday morning for a two-day unofficial visit.
They were accompanied by Sir Ralph's secretary, Mr. Hamish MacKenzie, and Mr. Coghill, of the British Embassy in Nanking.
The party arrived by R.A.F. aircraft from Canton at Kai Tak airport and were met by the A.D.C. to the Governor, the Political Adviser to the Hong Kong Government (Mr. Heathcote Smith), the Director of Civil Aviation (Mr. A. J. R. Moss) and Group Captain Jones.
They were driven from the airport, escorted by R.A.F. police jeeps and outriders, to Kowloon Pier steps where they embarked in the Governor's barge and crossed the harbour.
At Queen's Pier, Sir Ralph and Lady Stevenson were greeted by Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham, Vice-Admiral Sir Denis Boyd and Lady Boyd, General Erskine and Mrs. Erskine, and Air Commodore S. N. Webster.

"Pu To" Disaster Caused By Mine

The explosion which blew up the m/v "Pu To" in Chinese waters on Oct. 4 was caused by her striking a naval mine, said Capt. Darnell, Officer-in-Charge Bomb Disposal Unit, RAOC., at the inquest, conducted by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr, yesterday, into the death of the ship's master, Wong Mantuen.

Evidence was given by Wong Mantuen, brother of deceased, who was a seaman on board at the time of the explosion.
He said that the ill-fated vessel left Canton at 1 a.m. on Oct. 1, and arrived at Hong Kong at 3 p.m. the same day.
The ship tied up at Lai Chi Koo and took in a supply of fuel oil.
She remained in the harbour until 4.30 p.m. on Oct. 4 when she left the Colony via Capatun.

The explosion occurred at 7.30 p.m. when the "Pu To" (formerly the "Nam Ho Maru") was approximately seven miles north of Lantau.
Captain Darnell declared that the explosion was caused by a normal naval mine, of either British or Japanese origin.

Hit At Stern
The mine struck the ship at the stern, as that part of the vessel was pushed upwards.
The mine, said witness, might have been pushed by the ship's bow and drawn in by the by-wash of the propellers.

DSI Scragg (appearing for the police) produced copies of the ship's manifest and a list of army stores.
In the latter was shown 2768 gallons of gasoline and 15 land mines without detonators.

Nineteen Bodies
The Police officer went on to say that, up to yesterday, nineteen bodies had been recovered from the ship.
Forty other passengers were reported to be injured.
DSI Scragg revealed that everything possible was done for the survivors immediately news of the tragedy was received by the Tai O Police Station and that the Officer-in-Charge (S/I Mathison) had been commended by the Governor for his conduct of rescue operations.
A verdict of death by misadventure was returned by the Coroner.

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Jerusalem, Dec. 5.

A Jew was killed and a Britisher wounded this morning at Haifa when two men of unknown nationality attempted to hold up the NAAFA department store.

When J. C. Hall, the store manager, refused their demands the men opened fire with a Sten gun killing the Jewish civilian employee and wounding Hall. The men escaped.

Meanwhile, the official death toll announced by the Palestine Government today showed that 23 Jews and 13 Arabs have been killed and hundreds wounded during the three-day Arab general strike.

The toll did not include the seven Jews killed in Palestine in riots which broke out on Sunday following the United Nations General Assembly decision to the partition of the Holy Land.

Nor did it show the uncounted Arabs killed but unannounced.
British spokesmen said Arabs had been seen dragging bullet-riddled bodies from battles in the slums along the Jaffa-Tel-Aviv border.

Slum Battle

The fighting took place in the Halkiva slum quarter of the southern border of Tel-Aviv where a confused battle raged with bullets whistling back and forth.

The increasingly militant Jewish army, Hagana, claimed it "repulsed the attack."
In Cairo, forty thousand Moslems, including the greatest leaders in Cairo, massed at the Azhar Mosque for noon prayers today while thousands of steel-helmeted police in trucks, horseback and on foot stood guard about the area and patrolled the streets.
Moslems filled the huge Mosque and poured into the courtyard.

The Arab League secretary, Azzam Pasha, arrived at the Mosque in an automobile flanked by a police guard.

Withdrawal

In London, the British Cabinet today provisionally fixed May as the month in which Britain will terminate her mandate in Palestine, it was learned in well-informed quarters.

The precise date and details remains to be considered with the United Nations' Commission which resumed administrative responsibility until the Arab and Jewish State comes into being, these quarters said.
An announcement is predicted some time next week, possibly on Thursday or Friday, while Parliament is expected to be debating Palestine. — United Press and Reuter.
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TRIBAL RIOTS IN SOMALILAND

Nairobi (Kenya Colony), Dec. 5.
Despatches from Hargeisa in British Somaliland reported today that six natives had been killed and 16 wounded when police opened fire to quell an intertribal revolt.
British troops were reported standing by to prevent further disorders. — Associated Press.

White Xmas For Shanghai Forecast

Shanghai, Dec. 5.
The weather observatory today predicted snowfall in Shanghai this weekend, with snow already reported in most parts of central and north-west China.
A cold air mass was reported pushing south-west toward the Shanghai area.
The bureau predicted a white Christmas in Shanghai. — United Press.

BRITISH BROKERS GRILLED IN S'HA

Shanghai, Dec. 5.
Chinese economic police, acting on "secret information," today seized the books of two British brokers, Mr. A. F. Clark and Mr. A. Ormister.

They were seeking evidence of entries of the black market exchange value of U.S. dollar.

This would be considered sufficient evidence to prosecute an infringement of the economic laws, it was reliable learned.
Two special investigators of the Central Bank of China are now studying the books.
Earlier they failed to find evidence of transactions in U.S. dollars when they questioned the two brokers.

Rationing

Meanwhile, the Chinese press, quoting authoritative sources, reported today that the National Government is studying plans for rationing of daily necessities in Shanghai, Nanking, Peiping, Tientsin and Canton, including rice, flour, edible oil, sugar and coal.
Most accounts said that rationing will be gradually enforced, starting with civil servants, teachers, students, labourers and then extending to all residents.

Labour Unrest

At the same time Chinese financial authorities are facing one of their greatest dilemmas in their effort to avert disastrous labour unrest and, at the same time, prevent the issuance of year-end bonuses—estimated to amount to at least CNY5,500,000,000 in Shanghai alone—from aggravating the inflation.
Labour unions in Shanghai have demanded that the bonus should be at least one month's wage and that unions in other principal cities of China are expected to follow suit. — United Press.

ARREST OF LI CHI-SEN ORDERED

Nanking, Dec. 5.
The "Central Daily News" today quoted judicial sources as saying that the Government will issue an order to arrest Li Chi-sen, now in Hong Kong, for "organising a private army and making slanderous statements against the Government."

It said the order had been requested by the Kwangtung Provincial Council. — Associated Press.

The King Recalls His Old Theme Song

London, Dec. 5.
The King last night heard a special orchestral arrangement of a song he himself made famous.
Sitting with the Queen and Princess Margaret in the front row of the BBC's Concert Hall, he listened to "Underneath the Spreading Chestnut Tree."
More than ten years ago he sang it as he sat wearing shorts among thousands of lads at a "Duke of York's Boys' camp."

It was the ITWA, orchestra under conductor, Abe Jenkins that brought back this memory as a surprise for the Royal visitors, who saw the full performance of ITWA.
Hundreds of television viewers who watched the performance — it was the first time ITWA had been televised — saw the Queen lean over to the King, next to her, and begin the hand movements which accompany the song.
The King smiled reminiscently and the Queen smiled at the camera.

Record Gold Seizure

Revenue Officers made history yesterday when they unearthed, in the course of a routine search on board the motor junk "San Tai Lee," 217 lbs. of gold worth approximately \$1,500,000 according to the current black market rate of exchange — the largest seizure of contraband gold to be made in the Colony to date.
The gold, which was in the form of bars, sheets and rods, was discovered shortly after 4 p.m. when the "San Tai Lee" had arrived in Hong Kong harbour from Macao.
One third of the gold seized was discovered on the person of two members of the crew, who have since been detained. The other two thirds were found hidden aft in the junk.
It is believed that the gold was flown from the Philippine Islands to Macao for smuggling into Hong Kong and China.
The gold has been placed in the vaults of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

CANTON SHIP THREATENED BY...

A PIRATE ON A BICYCLE

Leaflets distributed along Canton's waterfront by a man on a bicycle the night before last threatened to "bomb" the "Wu Sueh" and several other river steamers unless the "money demanded is paid," said Canton reports yesterday.

Despite the threats and the attempt to pirate the vessel in the Pearl River delta on the night of Nov. 27 while en route to Canton, the B. & S. "Wu Sueh" will leave on schedule today for Canton after being temporarily held up in Hong Kong owing to neap tide.

"Needed Funds"
The Canton reports said that the leaflets explained that the organisation (Chung Yee Tong) needed funds badly.
At the same time, people were warned of the consequences in the event of a ship being successfully "bombed."
The "Chung Yee Tong" is one of the four main extortionist groups operating on the Pearl River.

PIRATES RAID FISHING JUNK

A fishing junk which was on its way to Hong Kong with a cargo of rice, was held up at 4.30 p.m. on Dec. 4 in the vicinity of Shahekou by a party of Hokies, two of whom were armed.
After boarding the junk, the Hokies are reported to have removed some 700 bags of rice and other articles.
Before departing, they destroyed the oars and mast of the fishing junk.

GERMAN PICKETS TO BACK FRENCH STRIKE

Socialist Charges Rock Council

Paris, Dec. 5.
The Council of the Republic the French Parliamentary Upper House meeting to consider the stringent Anti-Sabotage Bill today, was rocked by Socialist charges that the Communists are using liberated German prisoners in picket lines in the strike-bound northern coal mines.

Socialist Jean Vanrulen brought the Chamber to its feet shouting and banging desks, as he said: "I state liberated German prisoners are being used as strike pickets."

He Tossed A Package Into Train

Convicted on the charge of assaulting Szeto Va Chuan, probationary officer of the Chinese Maritime Customs, at the Kowloon-Canton Railway at 3.15 p.m. on Dec. 3, Chung Man-kwong, 22, bus conductor from Canton, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

In Kwok, shopkeeper of Shek Lung, was discharged by the Magistrate after evidence had been heard.

According to Inspector J. Orem, prosecuting, the complainant was on duty at the K.C.R. platform when he saw a packet being thrown through an open window into a carriage.
He went up to investigate and was about to seize the unlabelled package when about ten men surrounded him.
He called for assistance and his colleagues went to his aid.

ROCK-A-BY BABY — MODERN MODE

London, Dec. 5.
A father who hypnotises his two-year-old son almost daily to get him to sleep, is cited by a doctor who asks for advice in the "British Medical Journal."
The doctor says: "The grandmother fears harm to the child may result and asks whether the practice could be stopped on the grounds of cruelty."
"According to her, the child is well behaved and sleeps well naturally. Can you tell me if harm to the child is likely to result?" — Reuter.

Bomb Misses Nizam Of Hyderabad

Hyderabad, Dec. 4.
The Nizam of Hyderabad escaped unhurt today when a bomb was thrown at the motorcar in which he was riding through one of Hyderabad's main streets.
The bomb, described as "crude" and "locally made," exploded in the road near the motorcar and injured five pedestrians.
The bomb thrower was caught by the crowd.
Before he could be manhandled, the Nizam stepped from the car and ordered that the man be surrendered to the police. — Reuter.

The Weather

A moderate anti-cyclone over Mongolia and China and extending outward across the Eastern Sea. The shallow depression appears to be developing to the south of Japan and another is moving eastward across the Yellow Sea. Pressure remains low over the equatorial regions. Virendelet, Procureur General of the Forestry, Moderate east and north-east wind. Freshening at times. Fine. Weather warmer.
Yesterday's Weather:
Maximum: 74.9 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 64.5 deg. Fah.
Sunshine: 10.1 hours.
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(Full Details Later)

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

TWELFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING.

(The last Meeting of the 1947 Racing Season)

SATURDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 1947.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through numbers (7 races—\$14) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, also tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the last race as well as those for the "Hong Kong Derby" to be run at the Annual Race Meeting in January 1948. The latter may also be purchased at the Club Branch Office, No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGE AND ENCLOSURE

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 including tax are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all club bills etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE-COURSE.

The Treasurer's Comptroller's Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 p.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 2781).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, The Tao men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SEBYANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

BY ORDER,

S. I. SLEAP,

Actg. Secretary.

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Fete remains open until 6.00 P.M.

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B.E.M. Winner Faced With Perjury Charge

Chung Tak-kwong, B.E.M., once highly commended by Sir Cecil Harcourt and Sir Mark Young for services rendered to the British Government, appeared at the Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. F. X. d'Almada, on charges of giving false information and perjury.

Miners Riot In Sicily

ROME, DEC. 4. STRIKING ASPHALT MINERS ATTEMPTED TO DESTROY STOCKS OF COAL SHIPPED INTO SICILY FROM THE UNITED STATES BY WERE DRIVEN BACK BY POLICE DUNFIRE. THE INTERIOR MINISTRY SAID TODAY.

The strikers at Ragusa, a city of 50,000 in the southern part of the island, contended that the importation of American coal prejudiced the demands of Sicilian labour. The Ministry said there were no casualties during the disorders which began yesterday.

Meanwhile, a new series of disorders broke out in various parts of the nation which has been plagued for the past month by strikes and demonstrations as extreme Leftists exerted pressure on the middle-of-the-road Cabinet of Premier Alcide de Gasperi.

Docks Out Of Action

LIVERPOOL, DEC. 4. A NUMBER OF LIVERPOOL DOCKS WERE PARALYSED TODAY FOLLOWING A FRACTURE IN THE PIPELINE SUPPLYING PRESSURE FOR OPERATING THE LOCKGATES IN THE SANDON DOCK AREA.

Among the large vessels held up were the Cunard liner *Merano*, due to leave for New York early this afternoon, and the cargo vessel *Clan Cumming*, laden with exports.

It is unlikely that the Media will sail before tomorrow morning even if the pipe is repaired by that time.

SAIGON QUARANTINE BAN LIFTED

It is announced that the quarantine restrictions imposed against arrivals from Saigon on account of Cholera have been removed.

SPUDS ONLY FOR THE SERVICES

London, Dec. 4. Speaking at a press conference tonight, Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said that the export of potatoes—now rationed in Britain—is being reduced to the minimum.

Potatoes will only be sent to British forces overseas and to Malta and Gibraltar. None will go to Germany.

Appealing to farmers, allotment holders, and gardeners to increase their planting next spring, Sir Stafford stated that over 20,000 additional acres planted would provide about one additional week's supply of potatoes for home consumption.

GAS ATTACK

A Chinese workman of the Hong Kong & China Gas Co., Ltd., who was working on one of the Company's underground mains in Hollywood Road, near Ladder Street, at about 10.30 last night, was overcome by escaping gas fumes.

The man was soon revived through artificial respiration applied by a European employee of the Company who was on the spot.



SALARIES COMMISSION REPORT DELAYED

The Salaries Commission Report is not scheduled to be released today for publication, the "China Mail" was officially informed yesterday.

Throughout the week, the vernacular Press has been speculating on the release of the Report.

Yesterday, several Chinese newspapers carried an identical report that the Salaries Commission Report would be released today.

It will be recalled that the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, two months ago assured the Hong Kong Chinese Civil Servants Association, that an announcement would be made before the end of the year on salaries and allowance.

The Association had petitioned for an increase in salaries.

ACID THROWING CASE: "Unrequited Love Caused Him Much Suffering"

Unrequited love, "which caused him much mental suffering," was the reason given by Lau Hoi (34), bar-boy, employed at the Imperial Ballroom, Nathan Road, Kowloon, when he was charged at the Yau Ma Tei Police Station on Nov. 13 with maliciously throwing sulphuric acid upon Wu Kam at 145 Temple Street on Sept. 3.

Lau was arrested after a police hunt extending over two days.

The alleged incident was related to Mr. W. H. Latimer by Det. Sub-Inspector, J. M. Forrest, and witnesses, when committal proceedings were taken against Lau yesterday on the charges of malicious throwing of corrosive acid and of criminal intimidation of Lau Kwai-chun on Sept. 5.

Wu Kam, an odd job waitress, first met defendant in April this year and became friendly with him in May, said Det. Forrest.

Ten days before the alleged attack, accused asked the complainant to live with him. She refused as he was only earning a small income.

About 8 p.m. on Sept. 3, Wu Kam visited some friends at 145 Temple Street. Accused also turned up asked her to go to the pictures and then to a room which he had booked in a hotel.

"Burning Sensation"

When the woman refused, alleged the prosecution, defendant took a bottle out of his pocket and poured it over the complainant, who immediately "felt a burning sensation in various parts of her body."

Defendant then left, saying that he would take his own life.

At Nathan Road the same evening, defendant met a woman, Lau Kwai-chun, who also lived at 145 Temple Street, and handed her \$70 to give to a relative.

Three days later, the woman Lau received a letter from, it was alleged, the defendant in which he asked her to hand the money to his relative otherwise she would be treated in the same way as Wu Kam.

Inquiries were made by the Police, and Det. Wong, Chung-mok traced the defendant to various addresses in Hong Kong. Finally, it was learned that accused had gone over to Macao.

Accused was arrested in Macao on Oct. 10 at an address at Fuk Lo Sun Street and extradited to Hong Kong on completion of the necessary proceedings.

Dr. Pang of the Kowloon Hospital testified to having found complainant suffering from severe burns in the face, both sides of the cheeks and neck, upper part of the chest and back, the inner aspects of both arms.

The following arrived from Singapore and Bangkok yesterday by BOAC flying-boat: Brigadier Leeson, Messrs. R. J. Lotze, J. A. Shiel, Lo Man-chin, Tan Seng, J. H. Straight, P. A. G. Carvalho, Small, Hsu Non-tang, A. D. Bennett, Miss Tan Pek-ling, Mrs. G. L. Lawrence, Mrs. Small and Mrs. Garnett Len.

Passengers by C.P.A. planes included G. L. Scott (to Singapore), and J. De La Rama and W. E. Otto (to Manila).

The forthcoming weddings have been announced: Peter Anthony Haddock, of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, to Evelyn Gladys Mason nee Dean, en route to Hong Kong from England.

John Russell Filmen Bennett, Murray Barrack, to Henrietta Eleanor Anderson, Bishop's House, Shatin.

Mr. Somocho Bunnag, the Siam Government's Trade Commissioner, entertained the Siam community here to a buffet-dinner yesterday at his private residence to celebrate the birthday of His Majesty the King of Siam.

Passenger by P.A.C. Clippers: Francis W. Kohndall, William Fritchard and Comte du Rivau (for Shanghai), and Mrs. Edgar H.N.Y. Mann (for Honolulu).

A Dinner Party of the 4th Battery, H.K.V.D.C. will be held at the Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon at 7.30 p.m. tomorrow in commemoration of the sixtieth Anniversary of the Mobilization of the Battery.

The Party will be under the auspices of the Commanding Officer of the 4th Battery, Maj. K.M.A. Barnett.

Those wishing to attend are asked to apply to Mr. Yu Man Sum & Mrs. Ng Lo Sit May of the H.K.V.D.C. (Chinese) Club, 2nd floor, Bank of Canton Building, Des Voeux Road, Central.

Japs Were Short Of Swordsmen For Kavieng Crime

Because his unit contained no skilled swordsmen and because rifle fire would attract attention, Lt. Commander Mori Kyuji decided to strangle 23 Australian internees, under his care, and dump their cement-weighted bodies into deep waters off the coast of Kavieng, New Ireland.

The third of six defendant former Imperial Japanese Navy members on trial before the No. 1 Australian War Crimes Court in Kowloon City, Mori said his unit was responsible for guarding the internees.

Kavieng then was under heavy Allied air and sea bombardment, and in the face of imminent Allied invasion, he reportedly asked his superiors to get the internees out of his hands as he was short of men to safeguard them.

Final Request

Most of his men had been sent to defense positions, he added. His final request was made on the morning of March 17, 1944. Several hours later, defendant who was represented by Mr. Konishi Iao, (with Lt. A. R. Carter sitting as Advisory Officer), said he received from his senior officer, Col. of the Yoshino Shozo, second defendant, the first defendant Rear-Admiral Tamura's order to execute the internees secretly.

The order did not specify the date, place or method of execution, defendant said.

Considering the case to be urgent, however, he immediately proceeded to detail his men to kill the Australians.

Killing by sword, hanging and rifle fire was discarded in favour of strangulation.

One of his subordinates had suggested that rifle fire would attract the attention of natives nearby and thus expose the secret.

Barges Ready

Arrangements were made to have barges ready at the execution scene, a nearby uninhabited island, and the internees, including some elderly men, were strangled by jujitsu and dumped into the sea.

During the cross examination of second defendant on Thursday, the Chief Japanese Interpreter collapsed in court and did not appear yesterday.

It was also learned that first defendant Admiral Tamura is suffering from T.B.

His condition, however, is normal. Defendant would be cross-examined by Prosecutor Officer Major A. D. GHQ (Tokyo) on Monday morning at 9.30, when it is also expected fourth defendant, Lt. Mochizuki Hichitaro, will go to the witness stand.

ARREST OF CHINESE NURSES HAS SEQUEL

An assurance that steps have been taken to prevent recurrence of the incident in which three Chinese nurses were wrongly arrested as cool-walkers outside the Hong Kong Hotel at 8.30 on Sunday Nov. 4, addressed by The Acting Commissioner of Police Mr. W. J. Sparrow, to Lady Chan Chak of the Hong Kong and the Macao Women's Movement Association.

"Please refer to your letter dated 21st Nov. 1947, in which you and representatives of various Schools, Nurses' and other Women's Associations informed me of the incident which occurred on the 16th Nov. when Misses Tam Mei, Tong Po-lin and Shum Sul-ching were arrested by Police in Pedder Street."

"I would like to make it clear that when this matter was brought to his notice, Mr. Macintosh, Commissioner of Police, had enquired into the case and personally interviewed Dr. Woo and Misses Tam and Tong on the 20th Nov. when they gave him the facts."

"At this interview, the parties expressed the wish that the matter be left wholly in the hands of the Commissioner of Police for such action as seemed to him proper."

"In this connection, I would refer you to a statement made by the Hon. J. B. Griffin, Attorney General, which appeared in the 21st Nov. China Morning Post of the 21st Nov."

"With regard to the last paragraph of your letter, I would add that steps have been taken which it is hoped will prevent the possibility of any recurrence of the incident complained of."

REQUIEM MASS FOR LECLERE

On the occasion of the National Festival for General Philippe Leclerc de Hauteclocque, Liberator of Paris, on Monday, a Mass in his memory will be said by Reverend Father Missions Strangers, at St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road, at 8.30 a.m.

His Excellency the Governor will be represented.

The office of the French Consulate will open at 10.30 a.m. on Monday, December 8.

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Malayan G.G. Will Arrive On Wednesday

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Governor-General of Malaya, will pay an informal visit to Hong Kong on Wednesday, Dec. 10.

Mr. MacDonald, who will arrive on the afternoon of Dec. 10, in a Royal Air Force aircraft, will be met at Kai Tak by the副司令 to the Governor (Sir Alexander Grantham).

He will then cross the Harbour to Queen's Pier where he will be received by the Governor and heads of the Services.

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Reminders

Grand Fete in aid of Boys & Girls Club Association, Murray Parade Ground.

Happy Children's Home Third Anniversary, Baptist Church, Caine Road, 2.15 p.m.

Flag Day in aid of School for the Deaf, Building Fund.

Coming Events

Vocal Recital by Hsin Jui-fang, Chinese YMCA, 8 p.m.

St. Vincent de Paul Bazaar, St. Mary's School, Chatham Rd., Kowloon.

Softball Match (in aid of Boys & Girls Club Association), Caroline Hill, 10.30 a.m.

DECEMBER 8

Second International Salon of Pictorial Photography, Opening by the Governor, St. John's Cathedral Hall.

HKSPC Annual Meeting, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.

Inter-Services Boxing, China Fleet Club 8 p.m.

CHINA LIGHT AND POWER MEETING

The 25th Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of The China Light & Power Co., Ltd., will be held in the Company's Hong Kong Office, 2nd floor, St. George's Building, at 12 noon on Wed. Dec. 17, to receive a statement of Account and report of Directors, to elect two Directors, to appoint Auditors and fix their remuneration to confirm the Interim Dividend of 35 cents per share and to sanction the recommendation of the Directors as to the payment of a final dividend of \$1 per share in respect of fully paid shares and a proportionate amount in respect of partly paid shares, less tax deductible.

FOOD PARCELS FUND

Mr. & Mrs. Eldon Potter \$50, Mr. George Lewbel \$5, Mrs. T.L. Knight \$100, Miss Natalia Rosar \$5, Mr. T. B. Wilson \$50, Mrs. \$10, Mr. Driscoll \$5, Mrs. \$50, Mr. Keswick \$10. Total donations received \$21,001.75.

WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Hong Kong & Kowloon Pawan Association \$100, Mr. P. C. \$100, Mr. & Mrs. A. A. \$100, Mr. \$100. Total \$400.

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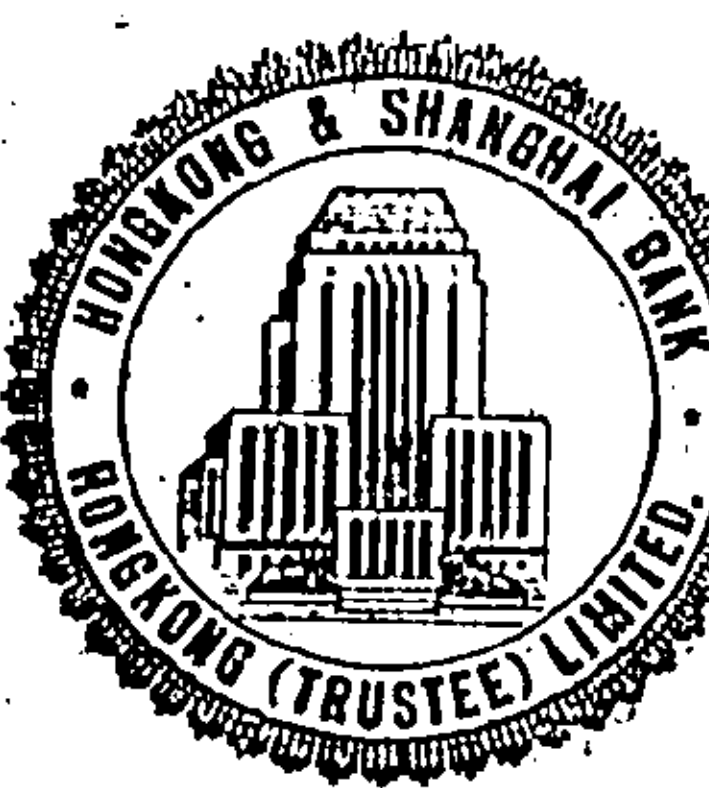
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COURT STRESSES SCOPE OF IMPORT DUTIES

A warning that, under the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance of 1931, "duty must be paid on all dutiable goods imported into the Colony (and that means if merely taken or carried into the Colony) and not removed to a general bonded or licensed warehouse at once," was issued by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

The warning was issued at the request of both Revenue Officers L.C. Millington and Mr. Marcus da Silva at the conclusion of the case in which Taut Chok of 7 Gilman Street, was charged with importing 100 cases of Chinese medicinal tea without a permit, and with landing the tea (a dutiable commodity) at the Yau-mat Railway Station on Nov. 7.

Houses As Sweep Prizes

SHANGHAI, DEC. 5. THE CITY GOVERNMENT TODAY APPROVED A LARGE-SCALE RAFFLE TO BOOST THE WINTER RELIEF CAMPAIGN BY RAISING CASH TO BUILD THROUGH RAFFLING 100 HOUSES WHICH WILL BE BUILT LATE IN THE WINTER.

One hundred milliard will be set aside for house construction and \$50,000,000,000 for winter relief. Tickets are priced at C\$100,000 and C\$200,000 for small and large houses. Officials, seeking landlords and architects, have drawn up plans of houses having a living room, a bathroom, a bedroom and a kitchen, with larger houses having two or three bedrooms.

The drawing will be held on Feb. 15, 1948.—United Press.

Food Talks Snag

Ottawa, Dec. 4. A very difficult financial situation had arisen in the current negotiations for the renewal of food contracts between Canada and the United Kingdom, Mr. James Gardiner, Agriculture Minister, said here last night.

Mr. Gardiner told delegates to the Dominion Provincial Agriculture Conference that there was going to be great difficulty as to what Britain was going to use for money if she purchased food from Canada in 1948. He hoped the difficulty would be overcome.

"I think that if other countries want to be kind to us they can buy our food and make it possible for others to buy it," he added.—Reuter.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 145 kilocycles from 12.30 to 2.00 p.m., and 6.30 to 11.00 p.m., and also on 9.52 megacycles in the 31 metre band from 12.30 to 1.15, 7.30 to 8.30 and 9.15 to 11.00 p.m.
12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.32 p.m.—"Hindustani" and "His Orchestra" and Paula Green (Vocal).
1.00 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.10 p.m.—Interlude.
1.15 p.m.—"The Woodford-Enders" "Indian Love Lyric" sung by Nelson Eddy, Baritone.
1.30 p.m.—Studio: Tino Gotschall and His Ambassadors Orchestra.
2.00 p.m.—Closed Down.
6.00 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: "Much Binding in the Marsh" with Richard Murdoch and Kenneth Horne.
6.30 p.m.—Light Concert.
7.00 p.m.—London Relay: World and Home News.
7.15 p.m.—Studio: "Unit Requests" with Vickey Gelling and "Battery 21st Field."
8.15 p.m.—Studio: "See Tee" Soccer Commentary.
8.25 p.m.—Personality Interview—Greta Gyn.
8.30 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: "Melodies from British Films."
9.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.
9.10 p.m.—Weather Report.
9.15 p.m.—Favourite Selections from Operas.
9.30 p.m.—Dvorak: Symphony No. 5 in B Minor, "The New World" played by the Philadelphia Orch., Cond. by Leopold Stokowsky.
10.15 p.m.—"Cabaret"—and Music for Dancing.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

Mr. Silva submitted that, as the tea was in transit from Canton to Singapore, it was exempt from duty.

It was landed, he said, at the Yau-mat Railway Station by the transportation agents without the knowledge of the consignors, instead of at the Tsimshui terminal as required by the Regulations.

After the charges had been withdrawn, both the prosecution and defence asked the Magistrate to "warn" importers and exporters generally of the existence of the Regulations made "under the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance" in writing.

In doing so, Mr. Blair-Kerr said:

"Goods are dutiable unless exempted from duty.

"The regulations are quite clear that duty shall be paid on all dutiable goods if imported into the Colony (and that means if merely taken or carried into the Colony) and not removed to a general bonded or licensed warehouse at once.

"Persons who use Hong Kong as a transit centre for re-shipping elsewhere must comply strictly with these regulations, otherwise they run the risk of being charged import duty and charged with an offence in the event of seizure.

"It is incumbent upon merchants to familiarise themselves with the law on the subject."

—United Press.

BOY'S HEROISM IN FIRE

Baxley Heath, Dec. 4.

When a fire broke out at a boarding house here today, Alan Wheeler, 15, tied a wet towel round his mouth, groped his way through the dense smoke into the garden, fetched a ladder and propped it against the first floor window, allowing other residents to escape.

Thirteen people were in the house and when Alan's father, Frederick Wheeler, raised the alarm, the flames had secured a hold on two ground floor rooms. No one was hurt and N.F.S. officers congratulated Alan on his resourcefulness.—Reuter.

"All Done In Jest" —But It Cost \$150

"That was done in jest," Chan Pun Yiu of the Hwa Mer Co., 4, Wyndham Street, told Mr. F. X. d'Almada at the Central Magistracy yesterday when he was charged with a "terrific overcharge" in selling an "Arrow Shirt" \$21.50 above the controlled price of \$18.50. He was fined \$150.

Appearing "on his third offence, Ng Yuen of Chung Hing, 462, Hennessy Road, was fined \$350 for selling a cake of Maxine soap at \$1.00 (80 cents).

On his previous convictions, Ng was fined \$75 and \$100, respectively.

"Haven't you learnt your lessons yet?" the Magistrate asked.

Ho Yok Ngan, Kam Loong Grocery Shop, 68 Johnson Road, Wanchai, was fined \$200 for selling a cake of Palmolive soap at \$1.00 (70 cents). Mr. Pitman of the S.T. & I. said that a foki grabbed the lady inspector from behind and tried to retrieve the soap.

As there was no witness no summons for assault would be brought.

So Long Hung Lee Yuen Co., 322 Hennessy Road, was fined \$40 for selling a cake of Majestic soap at \$1.00 (80 cents).

To Yuk Kwong Kwong Loy 38, Queen's Road east, was fined \$100 for selling a cake of Christy's Old English Lavender soap at 80 cts. (70 cts.).

Au Cheung, Cheung Kee, 71, Hollywood Road, was fined \$20 for selling a cake of "Levor's Health soap (made in China) at 70 cts. (65 cts.).

Lee Hong Wing Wah, 202 Johnston Road, Wanchai, was fined \$40 for selling a cake of Maxine soap at 70 cts. (60 cts.).

Siu Tim, Luen Kwong Electric Co., 20 Percival Street, was fined \$75 for selling a Westinghouse fluorescent lamp (30w) at \$6.50 (\$5.40).

Soo Ming Sau, Kau Ming Electric Co., Wellington Street, was fined \$40 for selling a Sylvania fluorescent lamp at \$6.50 (\$5.30).

Ma Tai Yu, Tai Cheung, 174 Queen's Road East, was fined \$20 for selling a cake of Maxine soap at 70 cents. (60 cts.).

Tang Ming, Po Hong Lin, 104, Thompson Road, was fined \$25 for selling a cake of Neko germicidal soap at \$1.55 (\$1.10).

Chan Chin Chuen, Kwong Shiu Yuen, 143, Johnston Wanchai, was fined \$40 for selling a cake of Maxine soap at 70 cts. (60 cts.).

—United Press.

Juryman III At Allen Case

Owing to the indisposition of a member of the jury, the case in which William E. Allen, Man Kam-fat and Chui Hong are charged with conspiracy, attempting to obtain bribes and receiving "bribes," was not heard yesterday.

Mr. Justice E.H. Williams (Chief Justice), before whom the case is being heard, adjourned hearing until 10 a.m. on Monday.

'The Wizard' Lost His Magic

Chan Cheong, who gives his occupation as "wizard," was in a joss paper shop on Oct. 9 with his wife and child.

Suddenly the shop door was pushed open and three men entered with their faces covered with cloth up to the nose.

Two of the men were armed with revolvers. The third man was unarmed.

They asked Chan Cheong and then his wife for money, stating that they wanted \$200 and that they came from Canton.

The wizard's wife went to a drawer and took out \$140 which she gave to the unarmed robber.

Police later visited 954 Canton Road on Oct. 12 and arrested three men.

Accused

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The case for the prosecution was conducted by Mr. A.J. Clifford, assisted by Det. Insp. J.R. Sykes.

Mr. A.S.C. Comber of Messrs. Hastings & Co. appeared for the third accused, while the first and second accused were not legally represented.

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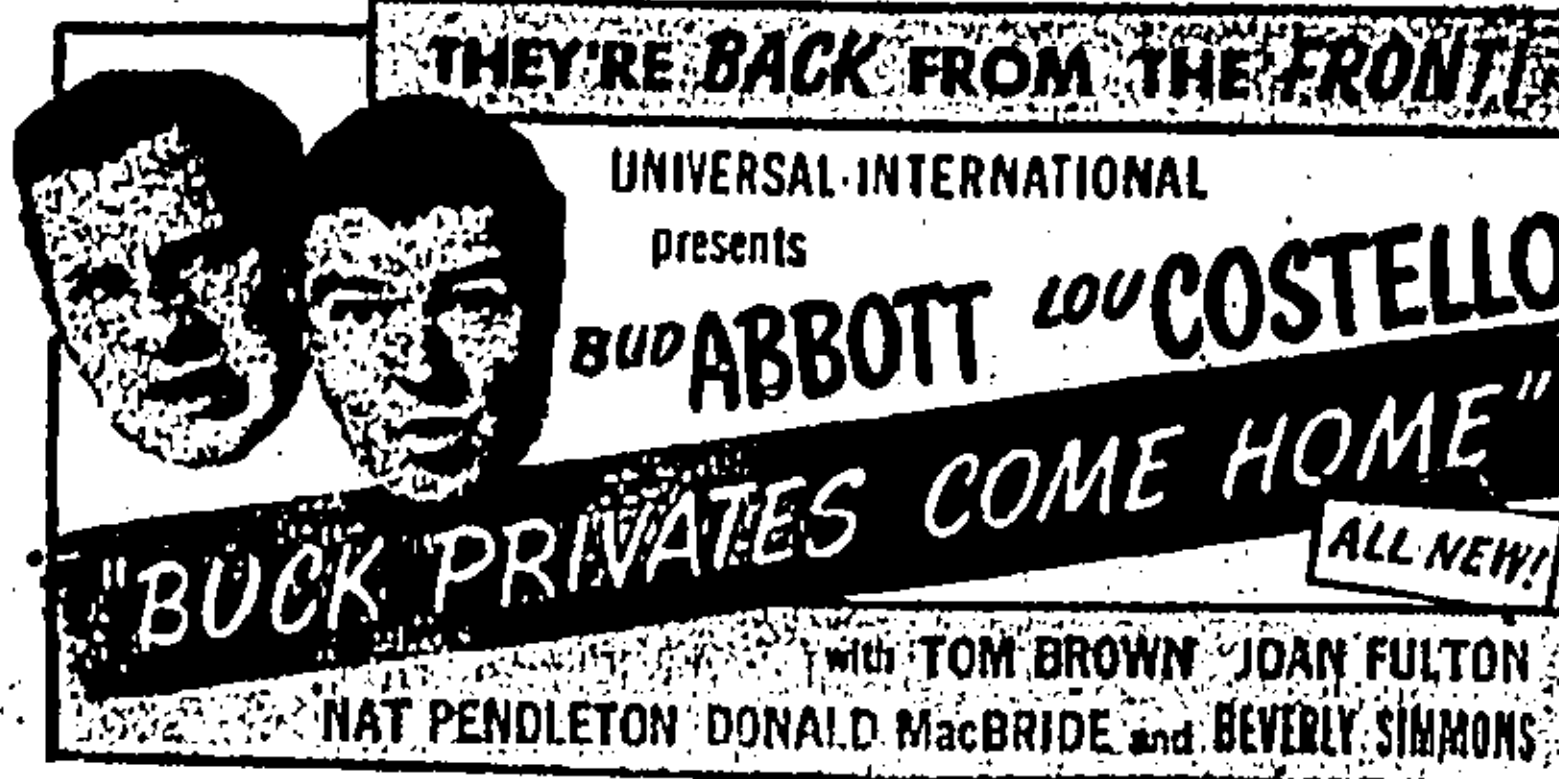
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MARSHALL-MOLOTOV DISPUTE

Blunt Speaking On Red Propaganda Sharp Exchange Of Words

London, Dec. 4.
The United States Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall, today bluntly denounced the Soviet Union's "propaganda attacks" on the United States and charged that their real purpose was to wreck the Marshall Plan for the economic recovery of Europe.

Mr. Marshall's statement came during a three-hour fruitless discussion of the Austrian peace treaty and unsuccessful attempts to reach a compromise on the key question of German assets in Austria.

His Heart Changed Sides

OKAYAMA, DEC. 4.
A JAPANESE PHYSICIAN TODAY SAID THAT AN AUTOPSY ON A 71-YEAR-OLD FORMER RESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES REVEALED THE MAN'S HEART HAD GRADUALLY SHIFTED FROM THE LEFT TO THE RIGHT SIDE OF HIS BODY OVER THE COURSE OF 17 YEARS.

He said that Kimpel Okamoto, who died this week from asthma and heart trouble, contracted far fewer while residing in the United States 17 years ago which led to pneumonia and lung trouble. However, he regained his health by an operation conducted by an American physician.

After returning to Japan, Okamoto remained in the best of health until about a year ago.

The doctor said only one person in 10,000 is born with the heart on the right side of the chest but it is extremely rare for a man's heart to shift position.—United Press.

TERRORIST RING SMASHED

Bombay, Dec. 4.
Police said last night that they had smashed a terrorist ring specialising in bomb outrages. Thirty-seven Hindus and Sikhs were arrested. The arrests followed a series of explosions in Bombay. The worst blast killed seven and injured 68 in a movie house in August.—Associated Press.

FIRST SNOW IN TIENTSIN

Tientsin, Dec. 5.
Tientsin was covered with a thick white mantle today after a heavy fall of snow. The River Pei, which flows through this city, is now frozen over after the thermometer had taken another dive.—Reuter.

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A RED RAG TO A
BULL-FIGHTER!

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LONGER MY GUEST!
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HASTA LA VISTA!

WHAT'S HE MEAN BY THAT?
PERHAPS HE'LL HAVE COOLED
DOWN BY THE MORNING AND
WILL TAKE ME HOME LIKE
A GOOD BOY!—ERIC WILL
BE GETTING FRANTIC—
I HOPE...

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THRILLING RESCUE

Valletta, Dec. 4.
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British and American naval launches were searching the sea about a mile southeast of Malta when the helicopter picked up the pilot and took him safely back to the United States aircraft carrier Midway, 45,000 tons, some miles off the coast.—Reuter.

Heading Toward Disaster?

CANBERRA, DEC. 4.
THE UNITED STATES WAS HEADING FOR DISASTER AS SHE WAS EXPORTING THREE TIMES AS MUCH AS SHE WAS IMPORTING, MR. JOSEPH B. CHIFLEY, THE PRIME MINISTER, TOLD PARLIAMENT TODAY.

"I believe the only thing that can save the present situation is for the American people to make the most magnificent gesture the world has ever seen," he said.

Answering criticism of the Government's decision drastically to cut dollar imports, Mr. Chifley said that Australia could sell wheat and other primary products to the Philippines, China, Switzerland and South America for dollars or other hard currency, but had to weigh the fact that Australia had suffered less economically than most Allied nations and owed great responsibilities to Britain.—Reuter.

Soviet Building Pre-Fab Subs

Shanghai, Dec. 4.
A well-informed and highly placed source told United Press today that the Soviets are mass-producing prefabricated submarines at a number of widely scattered inland factories.

He said the finished parts can be shipped to a few waiting coastal assembly plants, put together and ready to sail within a week. The source said Russia is not paying much attention to surface ship production. He said the Russians are keeping the vast submarine building project secret by inland production tactics since no one would think of looking for shipyards scattered over thousands of miles none of which is closer than 500 miles to the nearest water. The coastal assembly plants are undetected because they remain completely inactive. The source did not know if there is any connection between his information and a recent statement in Washington by Secretary of Navy John Sullivan that Russia has a submarine fleet of 250 ships, which is five times larger than the U-boat armada used by Germany in the battle of the Atlantic.

However, the source said, Russia's underwater power is already staggering.—United Press.

Munition Cache In Bangkok

BANGKOK, DEC. 4.
BIG STORES OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION HAVE BEEN FOUND BURIED IN THE COMPOUND OF THE HOUSE OF THONGIN BHURIPHAT, A FORMER SIAMESE MINISTER AND A "FREE THAI" LEADER, WHO HAS BEEN MISSING SINCE MARSHAL PIBUL SONGGRAM SEIZED POWER IN THE RECENT MILITARY COUP.

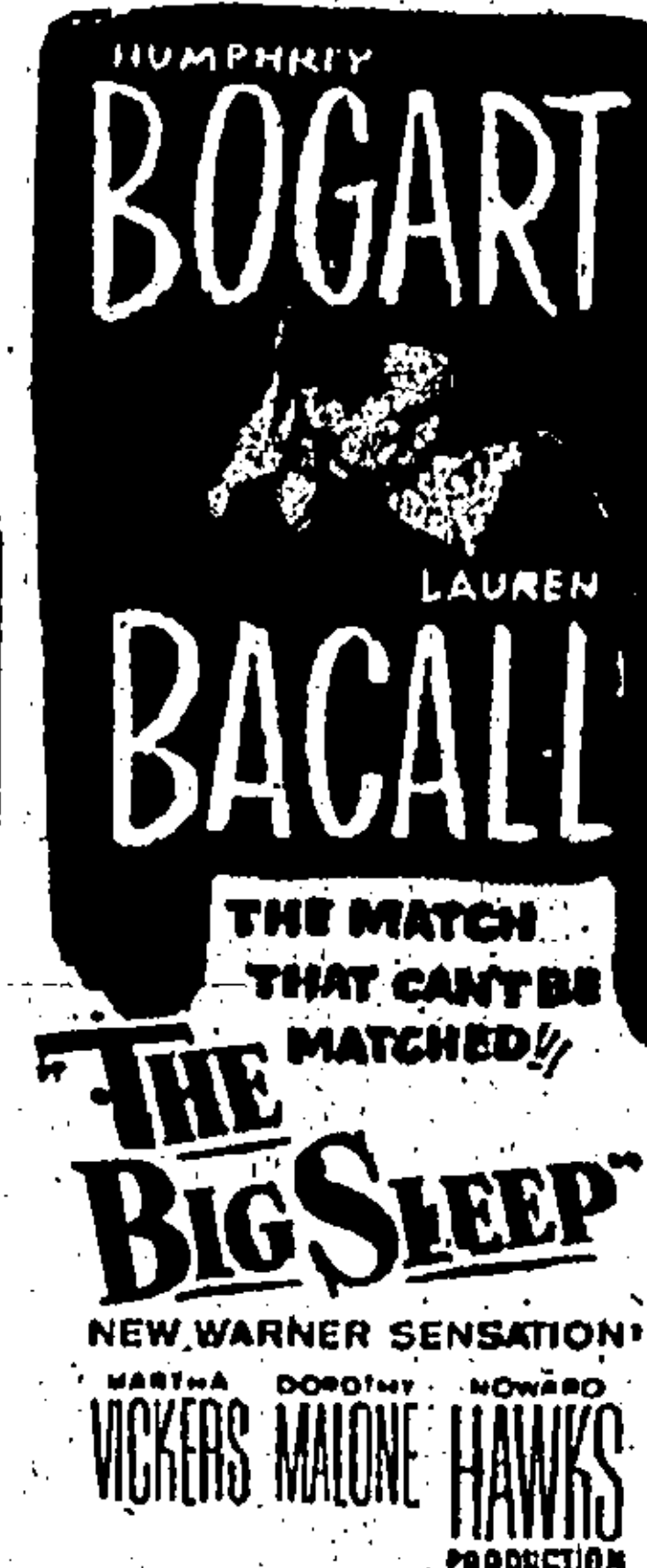
Machine-guns, over 100 pistols, thousands of rounds of ammunition and gun repairing machines were in the armoury, the biggest found since the Army started rounding up Free Thai weapons.

A party headed by Colonel Phao Sriyanong, one of the leaders in the recent coup, found the arms after an all-night search, hidden deep in the ground.

Thongin Bhuriphat was Minister for Industries in the deposed Government of Thanglong Nawasawat, the former Prime Minister, whose wife had been taken into custody.—Reuter.

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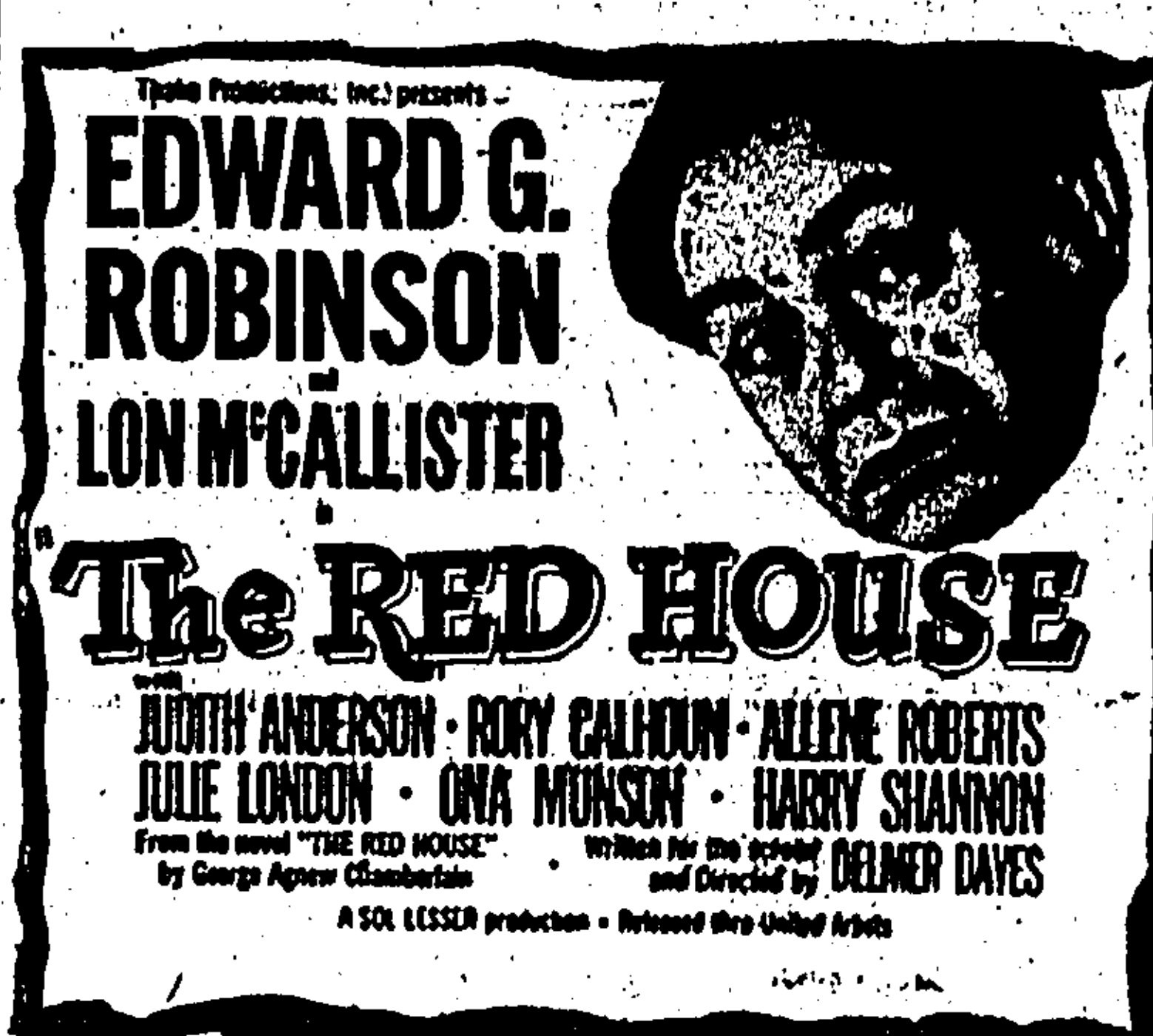
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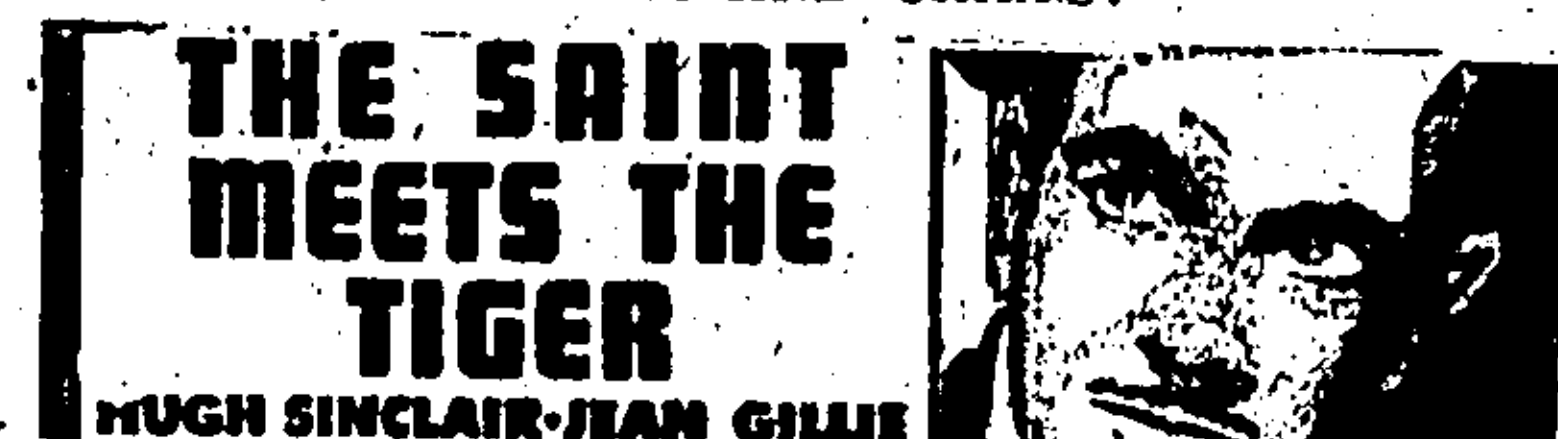


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represents a substantial gain in
the effort to combat the diseasein Hong Kong. Between 200
and 300 patients can be accom-
modated there when the build-
ings have been renovated and re-
designed to meet the special
needs of tuberculosis treatment,more than doubling the
hospital facilities that now
exist in the Colony. Admittedly,
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quirements. It will, however,mean new hope for many victims
of the malady, and offer a new
encouragement to perseverance by
those members of theAnti-Tuberculosis Association who
give so much of their time to the
campaign against the scourge. A
reminder is, however, necessary
that the new scheme will remaina paper project unless the Asso-
ciation is furnished with addi-
tional funds. The estimated cost
of rehabilitation of the Naval Hos-
pital is \$700,000, a figure which
includes equipment and running
expenses for the first year, but
which also is far beyond the As-
sociation's capacity to meet from
its present resources. At leastanother half a million dollars is
essential, which means benefac-
tions on a substantial scale by a
number of the Colony's wealthy
philanthropists, in addition to the
steady contributions by the Asso-
ciation's well-wishers. Fortunately,
a very welcome offer has come
from the St. Columban Mission
in Ireland to provide a complete
nursing and medical unit, large
enough to undertake the full run-
ning of the hospital. The effectof this will be to reduce consid-
erably the recurrent cost of
maintenance of the new sanatori-
um, and consequently the calls
upon the benevolence of the
Hong Kong public in future
years. This should, in itself, be
a stimulus to greater generosity
now, when the important thing
is to get the sanatorium started.It is an appeal that should have
universal application, for tuber-
culosis is no respecter of persons,
and the rapidity of its increase
in Hong Kong since the Libera-
tion with evidence that one person
in seven of the population is afflic-
ted to a greater or less degree, is
a matter that is giving serious
concern. The campaign to reduce
its alarming incidence is every-
body's business—for the general
danger must increase in ratio to
the growth in the number of suf-
ferers. The Government has al-
ready announced heavy votes of
money in the coming financial
year to meet the cost of the ad-
ministration's anti-T.B. pro-
gramme, but there is much more
to be done, some of it only pos-
sible through an unofficial or-
ganisation such as the anti-T.B.
Association, which can count
upon the freely given services of
numerous medical men, and
the assistance of volunteer
workers who can provide valuable
service in other branches of the
Association's work. No doubt
an organised drive for additional
funds will soon be made by the
Association. There is, however,
food for thought for all now,
when the need is so clearly posed.

**FOOD PROGRAMME
FOR ORIENT**

Baguio, Dec. 4.
A United Nations Asiatic
Economic Conference Com-
mittee today adopted a joint
Philippine-American resolution
naming the Food and Agricul-
tural Organisation (FAO) to
formulate a food programme
for the Orient in the next two
years.Fifteen delegates approved
the resolution, which was
drafted by the Philippine dele-
gate, Dr. J. M. Alcala.The resolution calls for a
study of the food situation in
the Orient, and for the estab-
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mittee to coordinate the efforts
of the United Nations and the
FAO in the field of food pro-
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**Is American Policy In Japan Too Leftist?
This Writer Discusses Here**

**AMERICA'S NEED FOR
A STRONG JAPAN**

By RELMAN MORIN

Washington, Nov. 29.

American policy in Japan is
under a very hot fire these
days—directed by Americans
themselves—on the double
charge that what the United
States is doing is too "leftist,"
and that it will not work.If it is true, that is very bad
news. Nothing could be more
serious to the United States more
heavily freighted with good or
evil for its own future, than the
future of Japan.Quite probably not even the
events in Europe will affect
Americans so directly, and with
such force, as those in the Far
East.Before the war Japan was the
economic power house of the
Orient. She was the workshop
of the Far East. She was the
strongest and the most stable
political unit.Her position with relation to
Asia was like the position of the
19th century Britain with relation
to Europe—the dominating power.The natural energy and in-
credible discipline of the Jap-
anese people can quickly return
her to that position.China is vast and sprawling
and torn by civil war, a war, in-
tentionally, which is not new but
nearly 20 years old.The other Oriental nations are
too small, numerically, or too
weak, economically, to challenge
Japan for that role. Both the
United States and Russia are
Pacific powers. So, to each, the
friendship of tomorrow's Japan
is a matter of supreme im-
portance.What is it, in the American
occupation policy, that allegedly
endangers this?

Too Far?

Critics claim that in breaking
up the pattern of family control
of Japan's economy, the pre-war
concentration of wealth and in-
dustrial power, America has
gone too far. The assertion is
that this action threatens to
dislocate, to the point of com-
plete collapse, the whole Jap-
anese economy.Before the war most of the
wealth and all the real economic
authority in Japan was in the
hands of a very few families.
The Mitsu and the Mitsubishi,
for example, owned banks, ship-
yards, steel mills, factories,
mines, department stores, timber
and so on, indefinitely. They
literally manufactured from a
needle to a battleship.People worked long hours
under shocking conditions and
for pitifully little. There were
no strikes as the Americans
know them. If a strike devel-
oped it was settled not by an
NLRB, but by a policeman, who
simply listened to the complaints
of the workmen and then or-
dered them back to work. They
went, quietly.The system produced cheap
goods in enormous quantities.
Japan could undersell anybody
on almost anything. Wealth
poured into the country. The
average was no better off but
the State acquired that strength
which America later and sorrow-
fully encountered.Just as the German indus-
trialists financed Hitler's war,
so the Japanese families paidthe bill for Mr. Tojo and his
predecessors.Obviously this pattern had to
be broken. It was feudalism
at its worst, and it is a perennial
military menace.

Out Of Bounds

But the accusation now is that
the policy has run out of bounds.
Critics assert that the United
States measures have gone fur-
ther than the families, that they
have torn apart the whole fabric
of Japanese economy wrecking
businesses and ruining in-
dividuals who were not part of
the family system.The irony, though, lies in this:
Left to themselves the Jap-
anese undoubtedly would quick-
ly revert to the pre-war system.
It is as natural to them as
breathing. For hundreds of years,
before the "opening" of Japan,
the country was actually ruled,
politically, by one family or
another. The Emperor was a
puppet, the palace prisoner of
the family that happened to be
dominant. The Government
was in fact the head of that
particular family, plus his bro-
thers and cousins.Political power was never real-
ly restored to the Throne or the
farfetched Japanese Parliament.
It remained with the families.
That may be deeply Oriental, or
it may be simply the result of
long centuries during which the
little man came to accept it as a
fact, as the natural and inevit-
able scheme of things.You cannot wipe out the ef-
fects of history overnight.Whatever the answer—and it
must be found—the United
States needs a strong Japan, and
a friendly one. If American
policies are working against this,
preventing the strength and
attenuating the friendship, the
United States is committing a
blunder of such magnitude that
Hitler's worst mistakes, by com-
parison, were only minor errors.
—Associated Press.

**How The Body Fights
Disease**

By HOWARD
BLAKESLEEhormones, which are powerful
chemical compounds produced
in very minute quantities—by
small glands.The discovery appears to be
a milestone in disease control,
in making vaccines more effec-
tive and in resistance to aller-
gies.The human disease-fighters
are chemicals known as anti-
bodies. Each infectious dis-
ease known to man produces
these chemicals. Usually each
antibody is different from all
others, and good only for com-
bating the disease which
evokes its appearance in the
human body.Antibodies are manufactured
in the lymph glands, or nodes,
in the groin, armpits, neck, in-
testines and elsewhere. Al-
though these glands are small,
their total weight, including
the tissue cells they manufac-
ture is three to five percent of
a person's weight. Piled up in
one place they would equal the
size of the liver.They manufacture cells
known as lymphocytes, and
these in turn make the anti-
bodies. Lymphocytes are about
the size of red blood corpuscles.
But they travel not only in the
blood but readily permeate
every tissue of the body.Thus they reach every place
where infection can spread.
They enable the white blood
cells to swallow infectious
germs and they do other dis-
ease-fighting jobs.The Yale discovery is that
the adrenotropic hormone, com-
ing from a small gland at the
base of the brain, and the
hormone, cortin, from two wal-
nut-size glands on top of the
kidneys, both induce the forma-
tion of antibody stuff in the
lymphocytes.Simply by giving animals
more of these two hormones,
the Yale scientists increased
the production of antibodies.
There was not only more
lymphocytes, loaded with anti-
bodies, but they were produced
faster.In disease these antibodies
appear a few hours or a few
days after the start of an in-
fection. The medical goal has
been to speed up both the quick-
ness and volume of production.
The hormones do both.These are all animal studies,
that have still to be applied in
the medical treatment of man.
Use of the hormones is expected
to augment the efficiency of
vaccines. In allergies anti-
bodies are used to help
desensitize people against the
stuff that causes their itching
or sneezing or other allergic
reaction.—Associated Press.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By SHEPARD BARCLAY

"THE AUTHORITY ON AUTHORITIES"

**YOU MUST READ
THIS**

There is no excuse for your
failure to read the motive of a
defender who leads right into the
my solid suit when there is a
trump contract. He is trying to
develop a ruffing trick for his side,
or perhaps a couple of them. You
should anchor to that fact in your
further play of the hand, considering
that either he hopes for a ruff him-
self or he expects to give his part-
ner one. Sometimes the bidding will
tell you which.S. K. J. 7
H. K. Q. J. 6, 5
D. None
C. K. Q. 10B. A. Q. 10
H. A. 9
D. K. 7, 5, 4, 2
C. J. 8, 2S. 9, 8, 6, 5, 2
H. 2
D. J. 9, 8, 5
C. 7, 4, 3(Dealer: East, North-South vul-
nerable.)East South West North
Pass Pass 1 D Db
Rdb 1 S Pass 4-5
Pass Pass DbThere was some basis for North's
leap all the way to 4-Spades, in view
of his freakish distribution; and his
right to expect a bit more from South
because he bid over East's reasonable
he thought South was likely to have
at least the Q in his spades; and
therefore nothing was likely to
be lost except to three tricks.As it developed, South had no
sure play of his contract; but there
was no pardoning him for getting a
two trick Westward heart A and
then, in spite of seeing that his
heart suit in the dummy's follow-
ing

CARNIVAL By Dick Turner



"Oh! I see what you mean when you said my eyes tested
twenty-twenty—twenty for the oculist and twenty for
his consultant!"

**Making Flying Safe
In China**

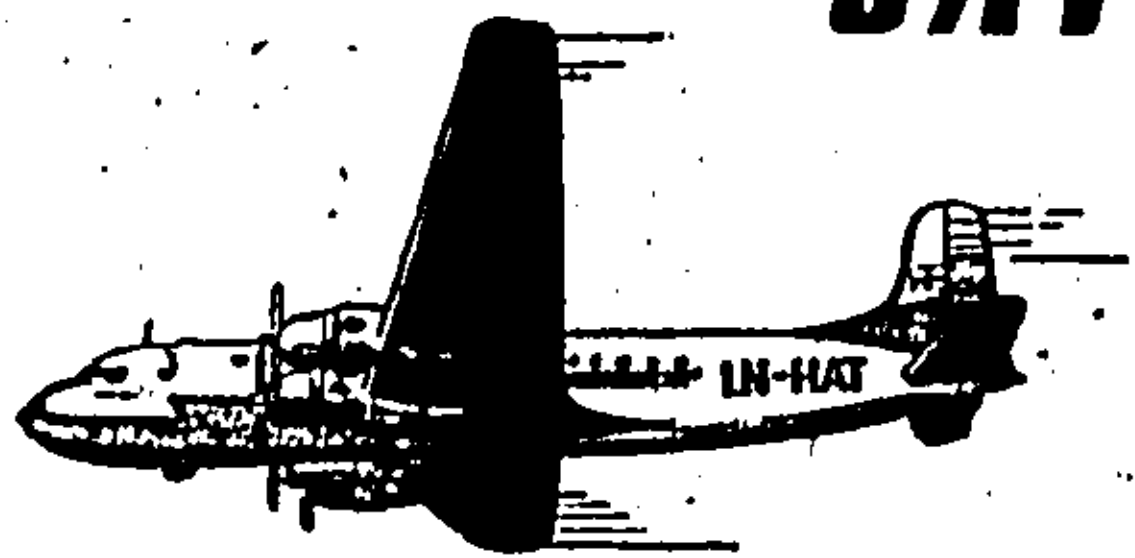
By Harold Milks

Due to a shortage of both
money and trained personnel,
China civil aviation authorities
are leaning more heavily on
common sense caution and res-
trictive regulations than on
modern flying to prevent a re-
petition of last year's "Black
Christmas" in which three pas-
senger-packed airliners crashed
in the Shanghai area.China lost nearly 200 pas-
sengers in six airline accidents
from Christmas until March.
Since then there have been no
serious crashes and Lieutenant-
Colonel Tai An-kuo, young
Director of China's Civil
Aeronautics Bureau, hopes that
careful operations will take the
place of the modern communica-
tions and weather network he
planned to prevent another blot
on this country's flying history.Some improvements have been
made for bad-weather operation
of China's airlines since last
Christmas when three passenger
planes groped for the ground
through thick weather and then
crashed one by one. But, the
record of installations is far
short of that envisioned by Colonel
Tai when he took charge of
civilian flying.China's peculiar aviation set-
up results in heavy flight con-
centrations twice daily at Shang-
hai— during the morning
hours when planes of the China
National Aviation Corporation
and the Central Air Transport
Corporation take off for tripsinto the interior, and again in
the evening as they return to
their operating and maintenance
bases in Shanghai.**Heavy Traffic**Shanghai's main commercial
airfield, Lung-hwa, must handle
as many as 50 or more flights
daily, with most of the opera-
tions concentrated into a few
hours of the day. This situa-
tion invariably results in the
"stacking up" of aircraft when-
ever the weather turns bad.With approaching darkness and
circling planes rapidly losing
their gasoline reserves, this situa-
tion is anything but good.Since the series of aviation dis-
asters ending in March, minimum
weather conditions at China's
commercial airports have been
lifted. As an example, in
Shanghai no planes may attempt
landings if the ceiling is less
than 500 feet— before "Black
Christmas" it was 300—and
visibility one mile. This rule
is intended to prevent transports
from attempting to "sneak" into
Shanghai under unsafe con-
ditions.Colonel Tai who has been
forced to battle for every dollar
granted his Bureau, lists these
accomplishments for safer flight
in China:1. A CAA Air Traffic Control
centre has been established at
Shanghai which works with the
airline dispatchers in guiding
operations and turning back air-
craft to open fields in case
Shanghai's weather suddenly
"turns sour" as it did last Christ-
mas.2. Improved point to point
communications between Han-
kow, Kluang and Shanghai for
faster direction of aircraft. Many
of the planes flying "back down
the open fan" to Shanghai in
the late afternoon clear from the
Hankow area as their last out-
post stop.**New Airfield**3. Construction of a new air-
field at Kluang on the Yangtze
River as an alternate, if both
Nanking and Shanghai are closed
(critics of the CAA complain
that this alternate field was
located at Kluang more for the
convenience of Generalissimo and
Madame Chiang Kai-shek in
visiting the nearby summer
capital of Kluang than as aid to
safe commercial flying).4. Transfer of airports at
Amoy, Swatow and Foochow
from the Chinese Air Force to
the Civil Aeronautics authority.
These fields have been approved
as international alternates for
both international and domestic
airlines.5. Improvement of Lung-
hwa Airfield at Shanghai and the
installation there of both an im-
proved homing beacon and a
locator beacon to assist in in-
strument approaches and bad
weather landings.China's busiest airfield still
uses the old-fashioned all-pot
system of runway lighting for
night and emergency operations,
administered by one of the air-
line companies under contract to
CAA. Colonel Tai hopes, how-
ever, to observe the first an-
niversary of China's darkest day
of aviation by turning on a new
high intensity lighting system at
Lung-hwa. The equipment is
already waiting in a Shanghai
warehouse for installation—
with only funds and the cutting
of red tape delaying its comple-
tion.—Associated Press.

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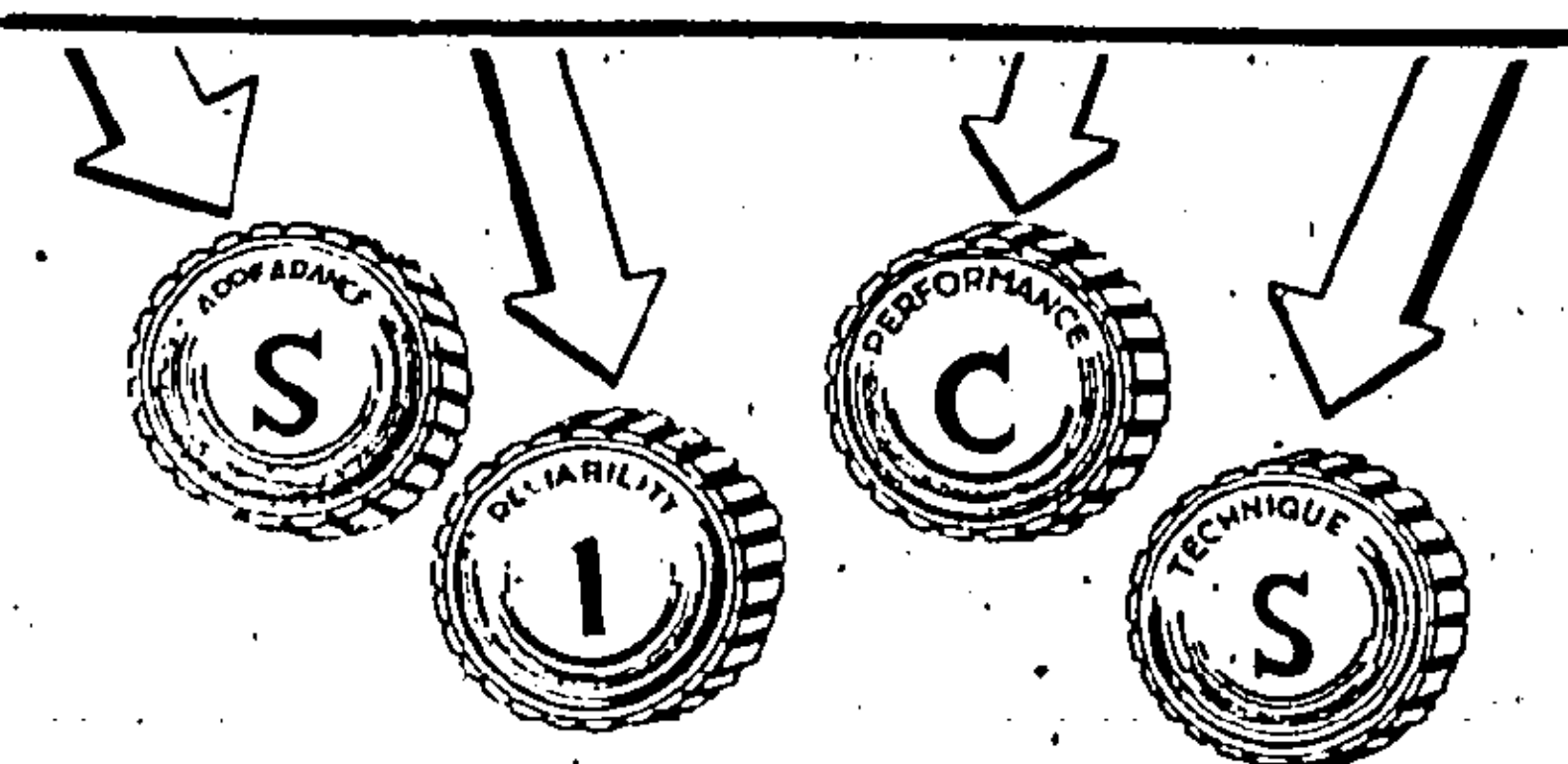
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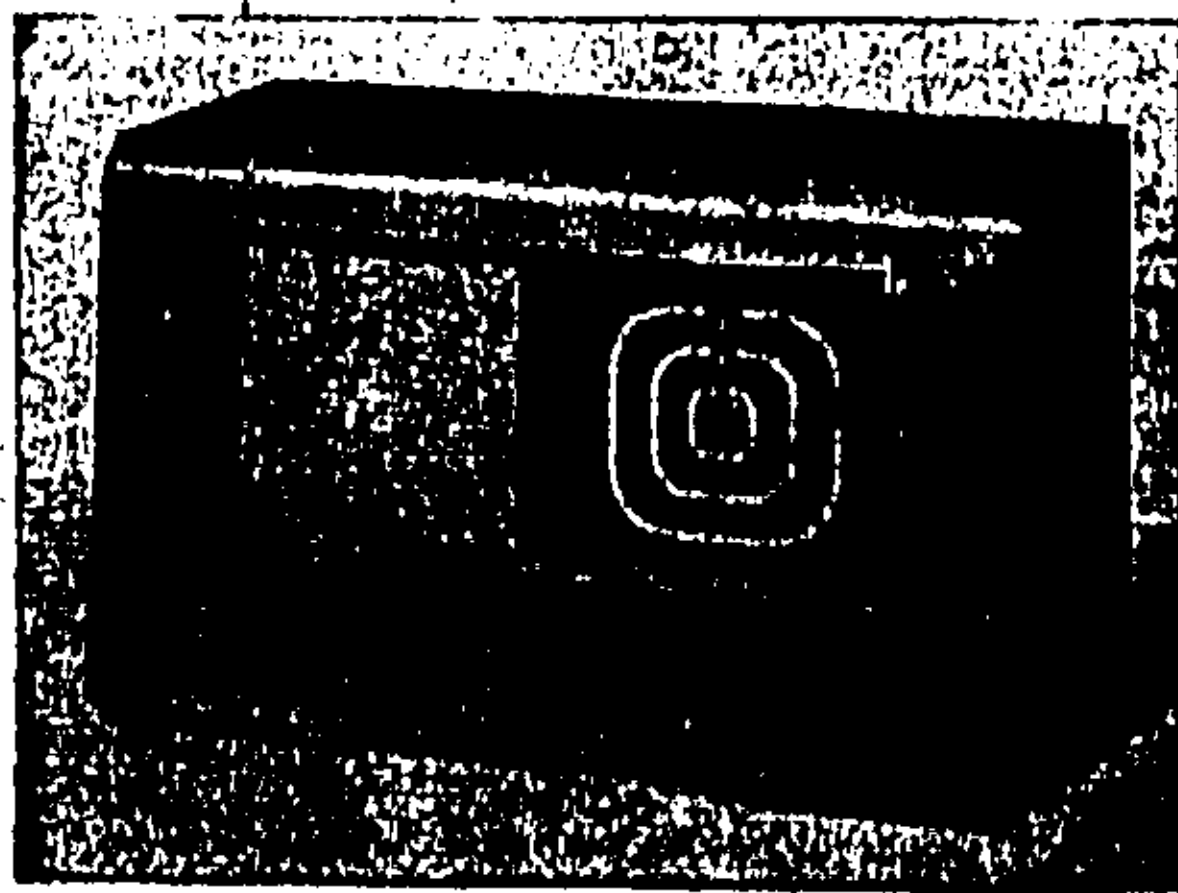
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FRENCH STRIKE VIOLENCE

Clashes Throughout The Country

Colonial Troops Called Out

Paris, Dec. 4.

Two strikers were killed and several strikers and police wounded when the police tried today to remove strikers occupying the railway station at Valence, in the Drome Department in south-eastern France. The strikers remained in occupation tonight.

Clashes were reported in two Paris suburbs tonight—St. Ouen, in the north, and Puteaux in the west.

Tear gas bombs were thrown by the police at Puteaux to disperse the crowd which gathered first at the arsenal, then at the Town Hall.

At St. Ouen, in the north, some 250 strikers tried to enter the electric power station but were dispersed after 12 policemen and an unknown number of strikers had been slightly injured in a union charge.

Five destroyed three high tension electric pylons between Bordeaux and Bayonne. About 100 demonstrators wrecked the Socialist Party's headquarters at Clermont Ferrand.

Major Trouble Spot

In Marseilles, the police evicted strikers who had occupied the main railway station.

Marseilles port remained the major trouble spot in the strike tonight as the strikers demonstrated against the Government authority.

Scuffles between the police and mobile guards on the one side and strikers on the other, went on throughout the day.

Strikers overturned food lorries which they used as street barricades.

The authorities tonight cleared the railway station and raided the Dockers' Union headquarters, making some arrests.

Convoys Stopped

Colonial Infantry were brought in to strengthen the mobile guard. Strike pickets stopped road transport, and food difficulties increased.

A Marseilles police official said tonight that about 100 persons were arrested there today, mostly for obstructing the police who were protecting non-strikers. Most of Marseilles' disturbances, he added, took place in suburbs where strikers tried to stop food convoys.

Sixteen mobile guards were in hospital today after a clash with strikers armed with iron bars who attacked the coal mine at Denain, in the northern mining area last night.

Hankow Airport Under Fire

PEIPING, DEC. 5.

A PLANE TAKING OFF FROM HANKOW AIRFIELD WAS HIT BY COMMUNIST GROUND FIRE AND CRASHED, KILLING ALL ON BOARD, FOREIGN ARRIVALS HERE REPORTED. THE TYPE OF PLANE AND NUMBER OF OCCUPANTS IS UNKNOWN.

Inquiries at commercial lines disclosed that none of their planes were involved so it was assumed that the ill-fated machine belonged to the Chinese Air Force. If so, it would make it the fourth Air Force plane that the Communists have bagged near Hankow field in the past few weeks. The others were a B-25, a P-38 and a P-51. Commercial lines have instructed their pilots when approaching Hankow to fly at a good altitude and make a spiral descent and when leaving to circle over the city until they gain enough height to avoid ground fire.—Associated Press

Britons Queried In Shanghai

Shanghai, Dec. 5.

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The two exchange brokers were called to the police bureau and questioned after which they were released.

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A Frenchman, arrested when he landed at London Airport, was charged here today with trying to evade customs duty and purchase tax on 291 wrist watches. He pleaded guilty.—Reuter.

SIGNIFICANT VOTE?

London, Dec. 4.
The House of Commons refused last night by a vote of 223 to 178 to override an order issued by the Ministry of Labour which is designed to force England's "drummers" into useful, productive work.

The small majority upholding the Government brought cries of "treason" from the Opposition benches. Ordinarily the Labour Government has been receiving majorities of 150 or more on major issues. But Parliamentary observers noted that more than 200 members were absent when tonight's late vote was taken.—Associated Press.

O.K. YUI REPORT DENIED

Nanking, Dec. 5.

A spokesman of the Ministry of Finance last evening denied reports that the Minister of Finance, Dr. O. K. Yui is planning to go to the United States to negotiate increased financial aid to China.—Reuter.

Rabbi's Fantastic Army

BOSTON, DEC. 4.
AN AMERICAN RABBI WHO WAS ARRESTED IN PARIS ON CHARGES OF PLANNING TO DROP ZIONIST PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS ON LONDON TODAY TOLD OF PLANS FOR A 250,000-MAN PALESTINE EXPEDITIONARY ARMY TO BE LED BY "AMERICAN GENERALS."

The army would be made up of American veterans. It would be known as "the George Washington battalion." Rabbi Baruch Korff, 32, said the volunteer army would be formed within a few months. Several American generals he did not name have volunteered to lead the force, he said.

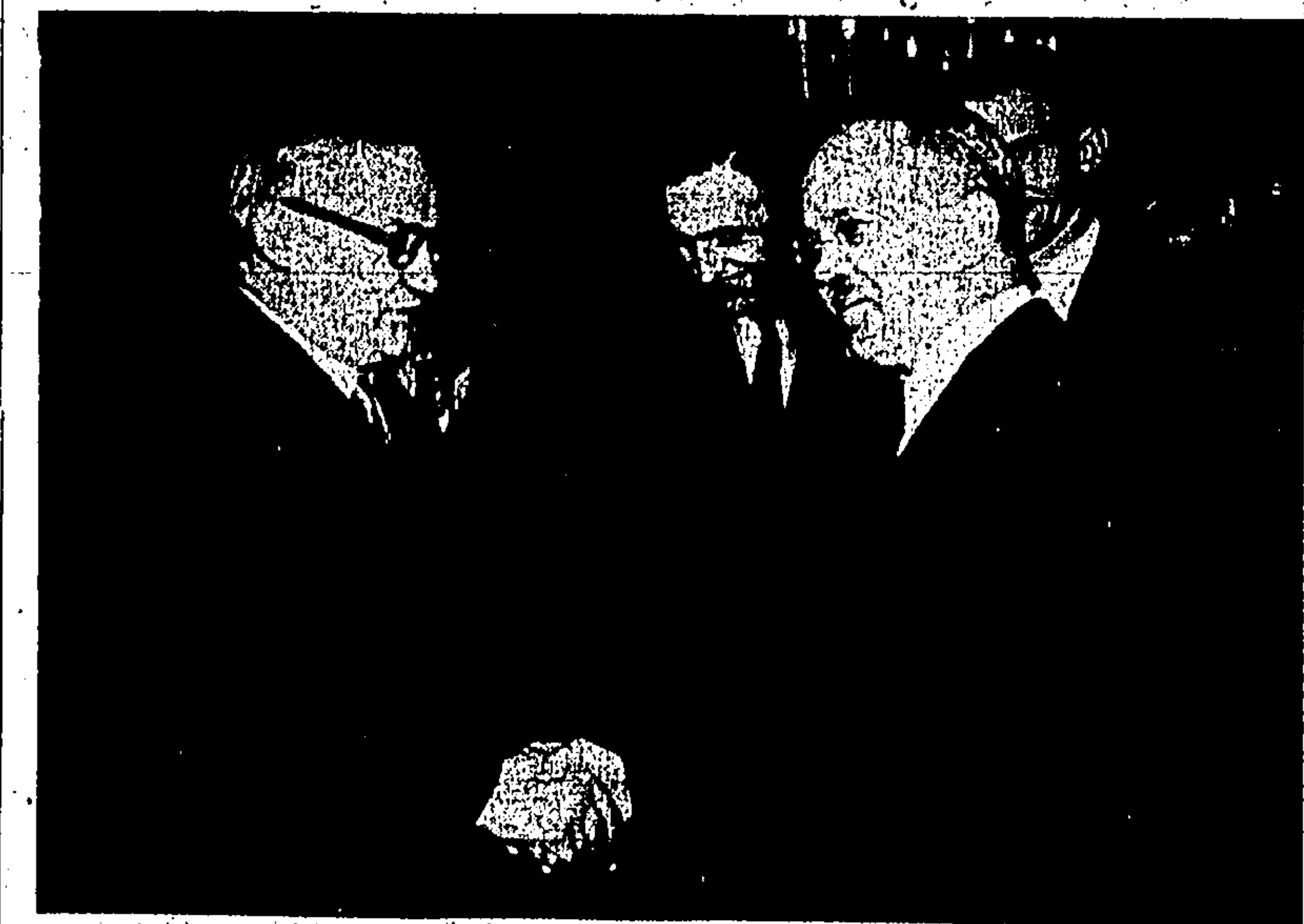
Korff was held 12 weeks in a French prison on charges of plotting to "bomb" London with leaflets. Later he was freed when prosecution was dropped.—Associated Press.

Film Star On The Spend

Southampton, Dec. 4.

The Mexican film star, Linda Christian, who left for America in the liner Queen Mary, today said that during her three-months visit to England and the Continent, she had spent between \$7,000 and \$8,000 dollars. "I had sent an SOS to Mexico for money to return home," she said.

Miss Christian, aged 21, denied the rumours that she had become engaged during her European visit. Two other film stars, Alexis Smith and Loretta Young, who came to England for the Royal Command performance, and Grace Fields, who was going to New York to join her husband and spend two months in the United States, also sailed in the Queen Mary.—Reuter.



Britain's Foreign Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin (left) seen greeting Mr. Vyacheslav Molotov, U.S.S.R. Foreign Minister, at the opening of the Four-Power Foreign Ministers conference on Germany and Austria at Lancaster House, St. James's, London. (A.P.H.O.)

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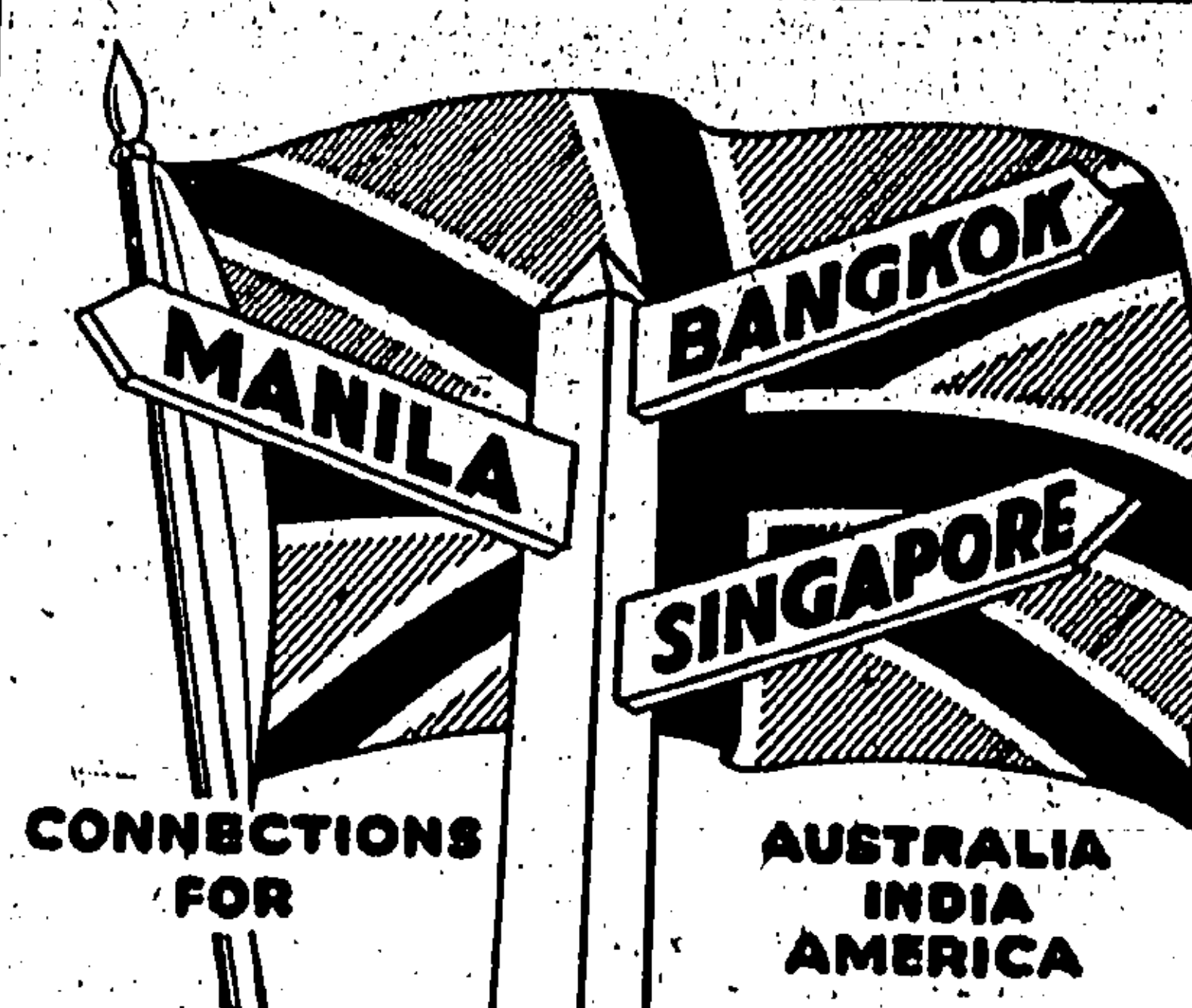
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Mile Of Cars In One Ship

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The cargo of 194, Eight and Ten h.p. Morris cars, 56 Morris light vans, and 54 Morris Commercial truck chassis, completed the last instalment of the first £1,000,000 of purchases of Nuffield products made in the last 18 months by Messrs. Agar Cross & Co. Ltd., of London and Buenos Aires.

Altogether, the 304 Nuffield vehicles occupied nearly 3,000 freight tons of hold space and the freightage charges are expected to be in the neighbourhood of £15,000, a valuable form of invisible exports.

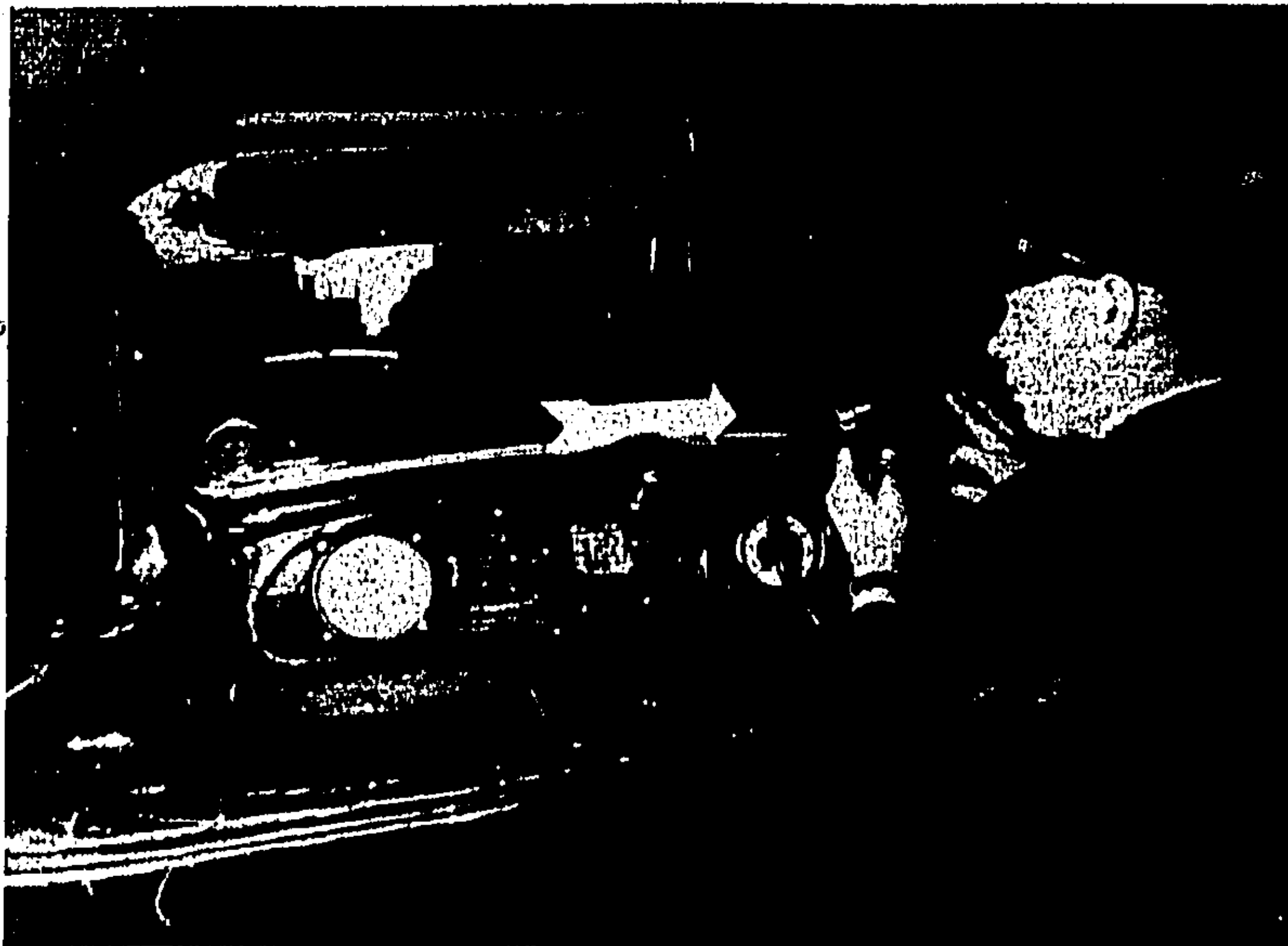
All the Nuffield vehicles have been fitted with left-hand steering to conform with Argentine requirements.

The "Ripplingham Grange" made the crossing in about 19 days, and then turned round to take on a cargo of over 7,000 tons of Argentine meat for Britain's Xmas dinners.

Before the end of December, Messrs. Agar Cross have scheduled to ship a further 1,000 Nuffield vehicles—600 cars and 400 truck chassis.

MOTURING NEWS AND VIEWS

A Radio-Controlled Taxi Service



Great Saving In "Dead Mileage"

The first radio-controlled Taxi Service in Britain has saved between 30 and 40 per cent in petrol consumption, tire wear and general running costs since it was started some six months ago. In addition, the efficiency and speed of service-operation has been enormously increased. "Dead Mileage" the return of taxis to a base for orders—is the bug-bear of any hire-service fleet.

This has been practically cut out since Mr. S. I. Rose, of the "CANTAX" fleet in Cambridge, equipped his sixteen taxis with Pye two-way radio and installed a transmitter in his head office.

The total cost was £2,000, but on the results to date Mr. Rose calculates that the installation will have paid for itself in a year. Operating figures are interesting. Allowing only 10 per cent for "dead mileage" (it is actually very much higher) and allowing that each cab covers an average of 50 miles a day (a very low estimate), the saving over a year of 300 days works out at 240,000 miles in petrol, rubber and maintenance costs and 16,000 man-hours in labour.

Faster Service

Added to this is the increase in operation efficiency and the far greater promptitude of service to passengers.

The Pye mobile radio installation is built in each taxi over the spare wheel in the boot. The receiver circuit is 11-valve, embodying a double diode noise eliminator stage which cuts out interference from passing vehicles. The 3 watts AF output from the receiver is more than enough to fill a vehicle travelling at speed.

The transmitter delivers 12 watts RF at fixed frequency to the aerial and is a 6-valve in four stages. The unit includes two rotary transformers and operates either from a 6 or 12 volt car battery. A public-address moving-coil loudspeaker can be operated from the installation as required.

Having delivered his "fare," the driver takes the hand microphone from his dashboard and calls Head-quarters (see photo above). There, the controller glances through his orders phoned-in by customers. In a large number of cases he can call the driver back and give him orders to proceed direct to such-and-such a place and pick up his next fare. This cuts down the dead mileage of a useless return to base.

In slack times, the controller can tell the driver to wait in case fresh orders come in from that district.

At Hqs.

In the picture below, the controller at CANTAX Hqs. is seen giving orders to a distant taxi, over his transmitter. In the background is a metal map of the district. Magnetic buttons carrying the numbers of individual taxis are moved about the map according to each vehicle's destination.

At CANTAX Hqs., the transmitter is a 10-valve 6-stage machine preset to work on a fixed frequency in the Very-High-Frequency band. Standard equipment is available for various bands between 27 and 100 megacycles per second. Twelve watts power output is delivered to the aerial. Send/Receive switching, performed by relays, is controlled either from the panel or from a remote control unit.

The receiver is a 17-valve set, with noise eliminator, also made by Pye Ltd., Cambridge.

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SYNTHETIC RUBBER TIRES

The American motorist is going to get a certain amount of synthetic rubber in his tires for quite some time to come—but he is going to like it.

Already the tires turned out by the rubber industry—with varying amounts of synthetic combined with natural rubber—are superior to those produced before the war. Also, they are lower in price.

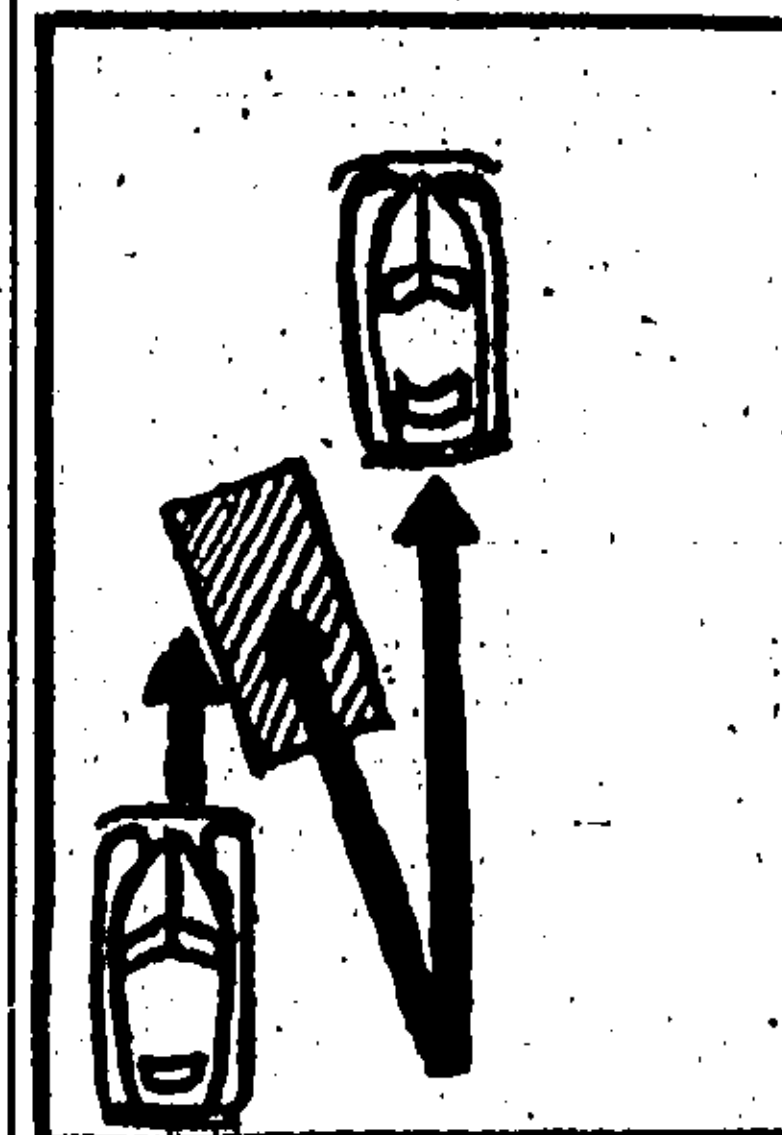
But, in addition to these advantages, comes an entirely new type of casing. One of these low-pressure casings brought out by the United States Rubber

Company, is described as the greatest advance in modern tire design.

The new tire, which will be available to any motorist fortunate enough to get delivery of a new car next year, utilizes a principle of increased air capacity at low air pressure. This results in greater riding comfort due to the cushioning effect of this enlarged air chamber.

In addition, the tire places more "working" rubber on the road, making for greater controllability and safety. Associated Press.

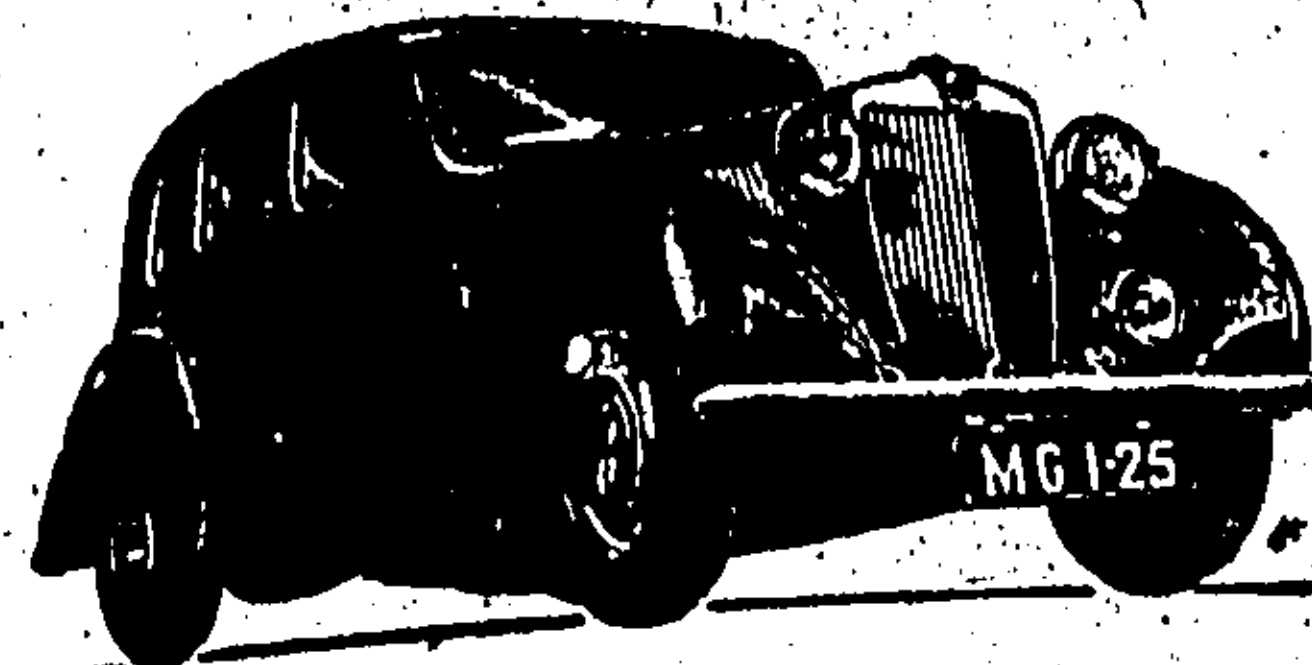
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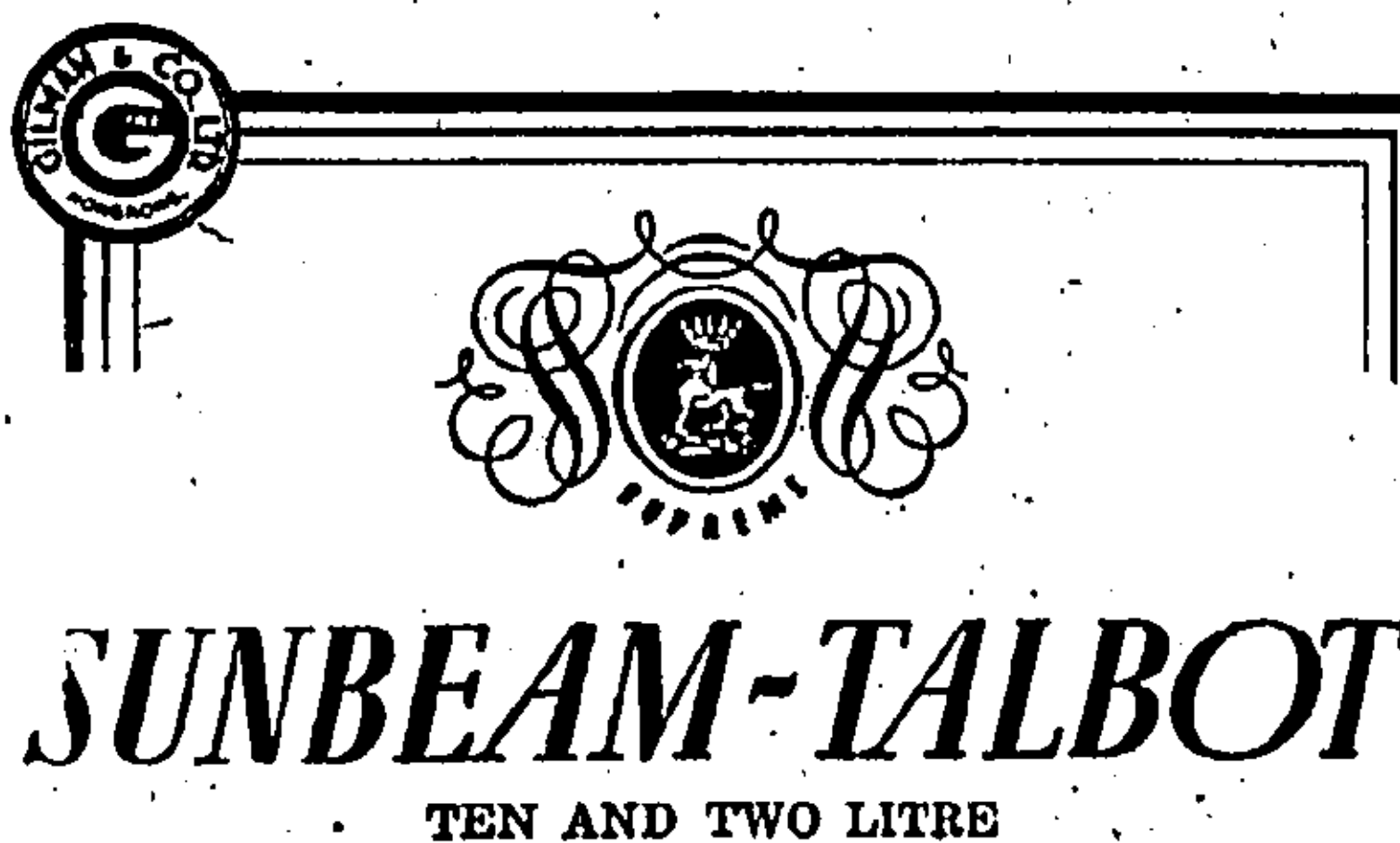
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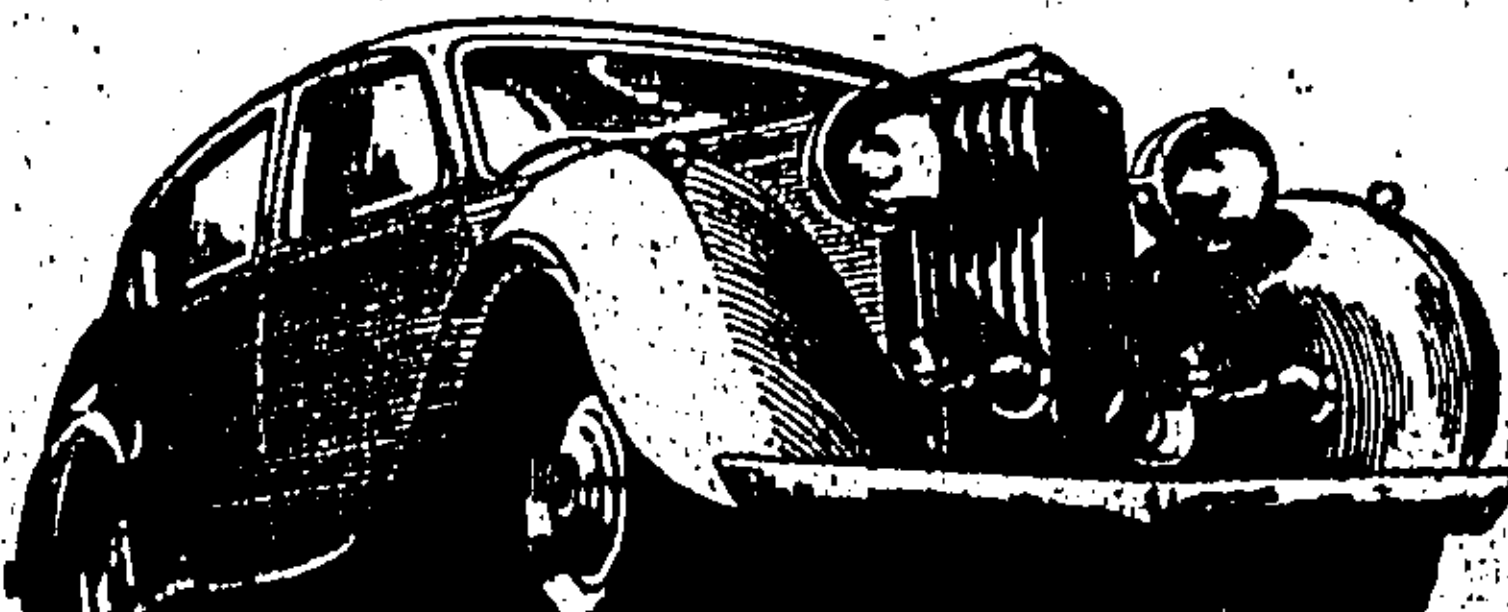
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The distance required to stop a car on a good, dry road is surprising, especially at higher speeds, and this may account for many of the accidents that occur.

For instance, at 20 MPH the average car in good condition will come to a standstill after travelling 43 feet from the time the driver receives a signal to stop.

The signal may be a car dashing out from a side street; a child running out from between parked cars; or another vehicle on the wrong side of the road when rounding a blind curve.

The brakes, of course, are not applied immediately the driver receives the signal to stop. There is a period—generally called "reaction time"—which is the interval required to act after a driver has received a warning to step on the brakes.

This reaction time varies with driver to driver, but it is estimated to be about three-quarters of a second. This means that at 20 MPH the car will have travelled 22 feet before the brake pedal is touched. At higher speeds, of course, it will travel even greater distances.

Set out in the form of a table, with the distance covered during the driver's reaction time added to the actual braking distance, this works out on normal dry roads as follows:—
20 MPH: 22 plus 21—43 feet.
30 MPH: 33 plus 47—80 feet.
40 MPH: 44 plus 84—128 feet.
50 MPH: 55 plus 131—186 feet.
60 MPH: 66 plus 185—251 feet.

Under poor road and car conditions, more allowance should be made for stopping the car.

The British Standards Institution Year Book gives a subject index and a synopsis of each of the 1,300 British Standards now current, and much other useful information. Copies may be obtained from the Publication Sales Department, British Standards Institution, 23, Victoria Street, London, SW 1.

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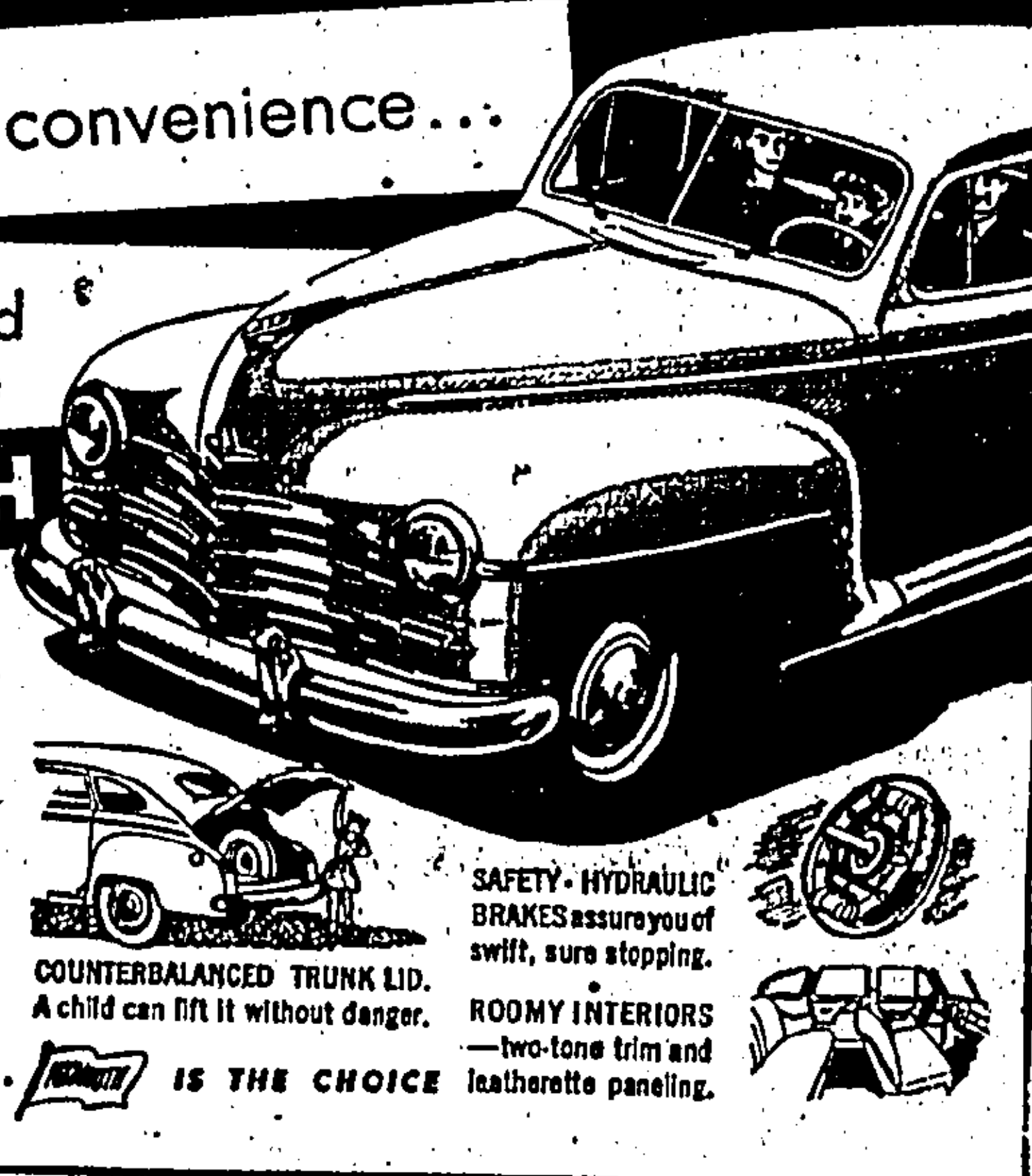
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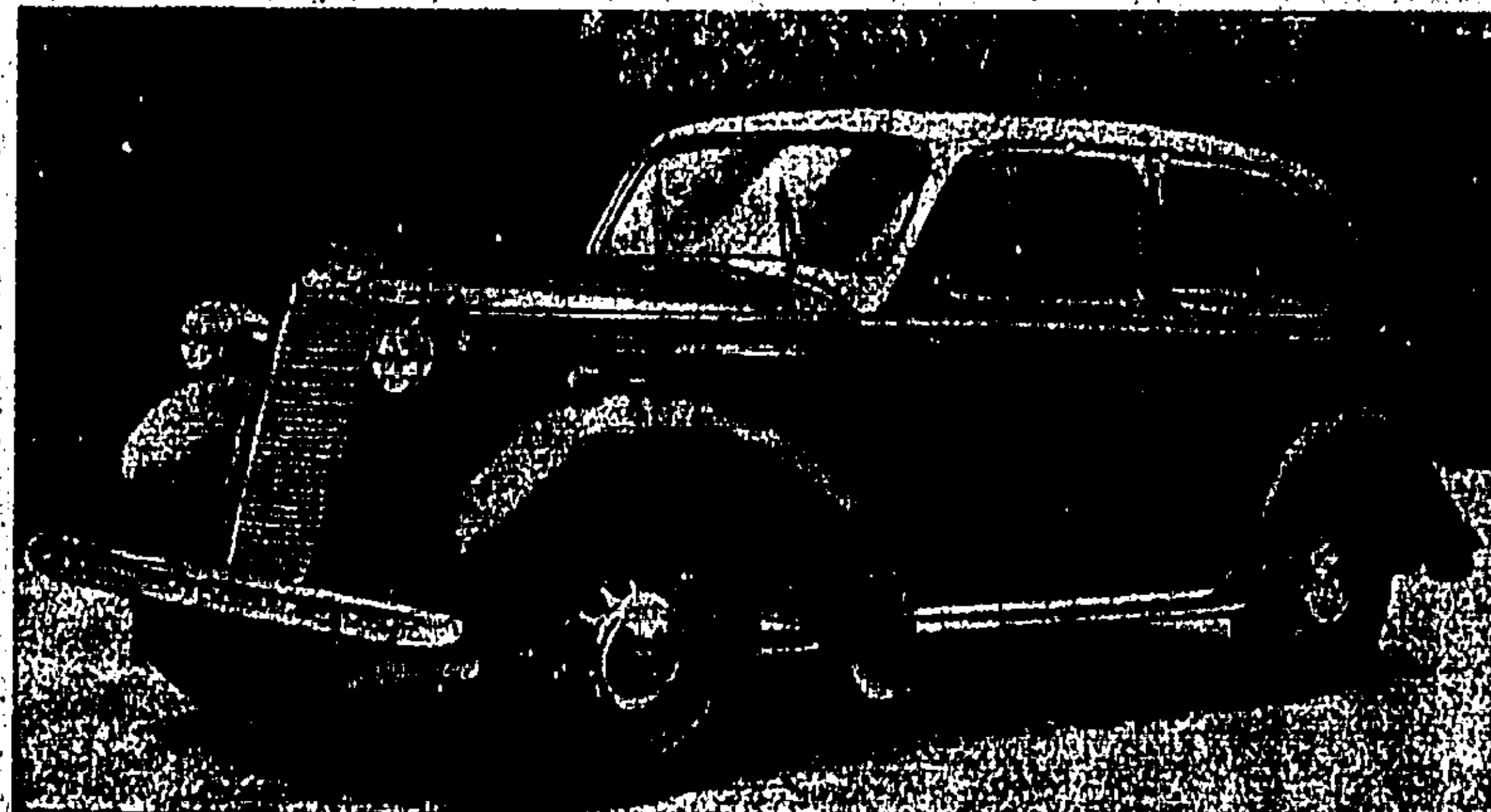
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ARAB-JEWISH DISTURBANCES Clashes Spread To Ramleh And Jaffa Partition Victory To Stand By Troops Ordered To Stand By Palestine Forecast

LAKE SUCCESS, DEC. 4.
ARAB OFFICIALS PREPARING TO CARRY THEIR FIGHT AGAINST PALESTINE PARTITION INTO THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL TODAY CHARACTERIZED THE PLAN TO DIVIDE THE HOLY LAND AS A DIPLOMATIC VICTORY FOR RUSSIA.

Plans for the Security Council argument over the partition plan were laid by Faria el Khouri of Syria. Mr. el Khouri indicated that he would challenge the legality of the Assembly decision when the Council convened next week, perhaps provoking an important debate of the entire trouble-making programme for splitting Palestine against the wishes of the Arab world.

The Arabs claimed in the wake of their defeat that the longrange result of a partition programme would be a gain for Russia in the East-West diplomatic duel for dominance in the strategic oil-rich Middle East.

Bitter over America's leading role in the Assembly decision, the Arabs contended that the partition blueprint would give Russia a long-sought foothold in that part of the world.

Camille Chamoun of the Lebanon said that the United States fought to hold back Communism in Turkey and Greece and then invited Communism to come into the Middle East.—United Press.

Catholic Appeal

PEIPING, DEC. 5.
THE CATHOLIC CHURCH HAS APPEALED TO U.N.R.R.A. TO ORGANISE AN EXPEDITION TO BRING OUT TO NATURALIST TERRITORY 84 CATHOLIC PRIESTS AND NUNS, INCLUDING 23 FOREIGNERS, MAROONED IN TSANG HSIEN, COMMUNIST-HELD RAILTOWN.

The group, among whom are 10 Americans five Canadians and two Britons belonged to the biggest Catholic establishment in China outside of Shanghai.

Tsang Hsien fell into Red hands shortly before the Japanese surrender. At first the Reds did not interfere with the missions, but according to accounts reaching the Catholic church here, they later became "tougher."

The Catholics had no means of receiving funds and have become impoverished.—Associated Press.

SOVIET MONEY "PANIC"

Washington, Dec. 4.
Mr. Robert Lovett, Acting Secretary of State, said today that the State Department was in possession of reports that a "panic" was going on in the Soviet Union and that a devaluation or change in the Soviet currency was due to take place tomorrow.

Mr. Lovett said that he had cabled the United States Embassy in Moscow for more details and hoped to have a full account from the Ambassador, General Walter Bedell Smith, in a day or two.—Reuter.

Jerusalem, Dec. 4.
Steel-helmeted British troops surrounded Jerusalem's Old City tonight to stop Arab break-outs after another day of Arab-Jewish disturbances on the Palestine partition issue.

All Palestine police leave passes were cancelled and troops ordered to stand-by throughout the country for 24 hours beginning at dawn tomorrow when Arabs were told to hold a further series of anti-partition meetings.

At Ramleh, the all-Arab town on the Tel Aviv-Jerusalem Road, thousands of Moslems and Christian Arabs lined up along the highway today to stone two police-escorted Jewish convoys and injured at least two Jews.

Jewish drivers opened fire during the attack on the first convoy, wounding three Arabs, three of them seriously.

A party of 30 Jews attacked an Arab-owned orange grove in the Jaffa area, wounding one Arab, a police report stated. The Jews withdrew after throwing two hand-grenades and firing several bursts of automatic fire.

Escape Attempt
The police fired over the heads of Arab prisoners, who attempted a mass escape from the Athlit gaol labour camp, another police report said. None of the prisoners escaped and none was injured.

The Arab Higher Committee appealed tonight to all Arabs not to stage organised demonstrations against the United Nations partition decision.

Dr. Hussein Khalidi, secretary of the Committee, in a statement from his Jerusalem headquarters urged all Moslems to go to their mosques and all Christian Arabs to their churches to pray for God's help "in the coming struggle."

A number of Palestinian Arabs were reported early today to be crossing the Palestine-Syrian frontier to join the proposed Syrian-Palestine "striking force."

Haganah Claim
Haganah, the Jewish underground defence army, claimed in a communique last night that it had "captured three Arab positions" during battles between Arabs and Jews on the border between Jaffa and Tel-Aviv.

The communique also said that Haganah had inflicted casualties on Arabs in other engagements elsewhere.

YUGOSLAVIA REOPENS TERRITORIAL CLAIM
London, Dec. 4.
The Yugoslav Government has reopened the "Carinthian question" by addressing a request to the Council of Foreign Ministers to be given another opportunity to state its claims in connection with the Austrian Treaty, Lyuba Leontich, Yugoslav Ambassador in London, announced today.

According to the Ambassador's statement, the "incorporation of the national Yugoslav territory of Carinthia into Yugoslavia" forms the principal Yugoslav demand.

Other claims concern reparation and restitution, settlement of the question of displaced persons, handing over of war criminals, settlement of the question of enemy property in Yugoslavia and protection by a separate statute of those national minorities who, after the satisfaction of Yugoslav territorial claims, still remain within Austria.

West Accused
The Yugoslav claims against Austria have been heard both by the Foreign Ministers Deputies on Austria in London last January and by the Foreign Ministers Conference in Moscow. Since then, the Ambassador said, hearings were demanded when the Deputies were sitting in Vienna and separate requests were addressed to all four Powers for hearing at the London Conference before it met.

As both attempts had failed a new request was addressed to the Council of Foreign Ministers a few days ago and was now made public. No reply had yet been received.

Mr. Leontich said the rejection of earlier requests had been due to the attitude of the "Western Powers". It is known that the Western Powers agree with the Australian Government in regarding the "Carinthian question" as settled by the plebiscite of 1920, held under international supervision following a period of Yugoslav administration which resulted in an Austrian majority in the disputed area.

"Dangerous"
M. Leontich was asked whether he would regard another plebiscite as desirable to settle the issue.

"The dangerous thing about a plebiscite," he replied, "is that it is in the hands of whoever holds power in the area in dispute. We have not, and we remember that

LONDON, DEC. 4.
INFORMED LONDON QUARTERS WERE TODAY QUOTED AS PREDICTING MAY 1, 1948, AS THE POSSIBLE DATE ON WHICH BRITAIN WILL SURRENDER HER PALESTINE MANDATE AND BEGIN HER WITHDRAWAL.

Decision about the date was still awaited, but was believed imminent.

It was expected that if the Cabinet reached a final decision at its meeting today, an early intimation of the date will be given to the Palestine Commission of the United Nations by Sir Alexander Cadogan, Britain's permanent delegate to the United Nations.

It was made clear, however, that so far the British Government had not announced any decision, either to the United Nations or the United States.

A Foreign Office spokesman, denying another report that the evacuation of British troops from Palestine could not be completed until October next year, said that Britain was adhering to the date of Aug. 1, already announced to the United Nations General Assembly, for completing the withdrawal of armed forces.

The withdrawal of stores and administrative staff is expected to occupy far more time than that of withdrawing the more mobile combat forces.

One factor believed to be influencing the start as late as May is that the next three months form the most important part of Palestine's citrus fruit season, which is of paramount importance to Palestine and to the world at large and which there is a general desire not to disrupt.—Reuter.

BRITONS WANT TO FIGHT
London, Dec. 4.
Hundreds of young British ex-servicemen, in sympathy with the Arabs over the United Nations' decision to partition Palestine, are offering to serve in the Arab force.

Applications from ex-servicemen, naval officers and ratings, and Commandos were coming in all day yesterday to the Arab embassies and legations in London and the Palestine Arab Political Mission.

The Egyptian Embassy said: "Quite a lot of application have been received. They are being forwarded to Cairo for consideration"—Reuter.

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Hankow, Tientsin and Peking, 4 p.m.

Canton, 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, DEC. 7

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MONDAY, DEC. 8

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Airmail for Manila P.I., (Reg.) 9 a.m. (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.

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TUESDAY, DEC. 9

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WEDNESDAY, DEC. 10

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THURSDAY, DEC. 11

Closing Times By Air

Airmail for Manila P.I., (Reg.) 9 a.m. (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.

The Courts From Day To Day

Radio Operator Gaoled For Larceny

Concurrent sentences of three months' hard labour on each of the first three counts were passed on Leung Chung-tung, 29, wireless operator by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

Leung was charged with larceny of 200 boxes of "Sino-Calcin" and \$108, the property of the New Asiatic Chemical Works, Ltd., and the China Express Corp., in the Peninsula Hotel Building, on Nov. 15.

He was further charged with forging a receipt for the goods and money, uttering the forged document and possession of dutiable goods.

With Leung appeared Leung Hon and Lam Chu, salesmen of two drug stores at Shanghai Street, charged with receiving stolen goods and possession of dutiable goods.

Defendant's application for a fine, on grounds that he had a family to support, was refused.

Accused was cautioned on the charge of possession of dutiable goods.

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STOLE 10 DOLLARS ON A TRAM

Six months' hard labour was imposed on Chai Ting (26) by Mr. G. J. Conklin at the Central Magistracy for stealing \$10 from Lam Yiu-fong on a tram.

Inspector Brownrigg said that defendant had two previous convictions for similar offences.

He asked that accused be recommended for banishment as he was definitely an undesirable character.

Shipping List

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Alpura (Williamson) S.C.

Amazulu (Wai Lock) S.S. 10

Anhui (H. & S.) S.S. 10

Annock (Wolcott) S.S. 10

Bris (Thornson) S.S. 10

Bushwood (P. & O.) S.S. 10

Butler 2 (Tomas) S.S. 10

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Chi Hwa (Ta Hing) Kin. Dk.

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Gang Of Triad Members Broken Up

Twelve members of a "gang of bad characters," arrested by a Kowloon C.I.D. Squad (led by Sub-Inspector C. Pope and Sgt. Chan Loh) on Dec. 1, were sentenced to varying terms of imprisonment, to be followed by deportation, by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

With the exception of Chan Hel, (22), all admitted to being members of triad societies—eight of the Wo Shing Wo, two of the Wo Shing Yee one of the Wo Hop To, and one of the Chuen Hung Shing.

Nine of the defendants had previous convictions; several had been leading a life of crime from youth.

Sentences were: 18 months, and \$500 (or another six months) on one; six months on four; 12 strokes and three months' simple imprisonment on three; six strokes and three months' simple imprisonment on one; and expulsion on one.

FARMER STOWED AWAY IN LIFEBOAT

A 20-year-old Fukienese farmer, discovered hiding in a lifeboat on the s.s. "Yochow" and yesterday charged before the Marine Magistrate (Mr. N. Garland) with unlawful boarding, told the Court he came to Hong Kong two months ago and was informed by the ship's quartermaster he could travel free to Singapore by hiding on the lifeboat.

His friend paid some money to the quartermaster for the trip but before the ship sailed he was ferreted out of his hiding place.

He was sentenced to one month's hard labour without the option.

CANOSSIAN EVICTION CASE ADJOURNED

The action by the Canossian Institute against Karel Weles and Peng Shek for possession of 34 Caine Road, ground and second floors, was adjourned since die yesterday by Mr. Justice T. J. Gould (Puisne Judge) pending the result of an action seeking a declaration that an exemption order granted by the Governor was ultra vires his powers.

The Canossian Institute were represented by Mr. P. J. Griffith of Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist.

Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for Karel Weles and Peng Shek.

LIGHTS OUT

For failing to display his anchor light while his trading junk was at anchor, the master was yesterday fined \$40 or 10 days in default by the Marine Magistrate, who said this practice was a definite danger to navigation.

The master pleaded that the lights was blown out by the wind.

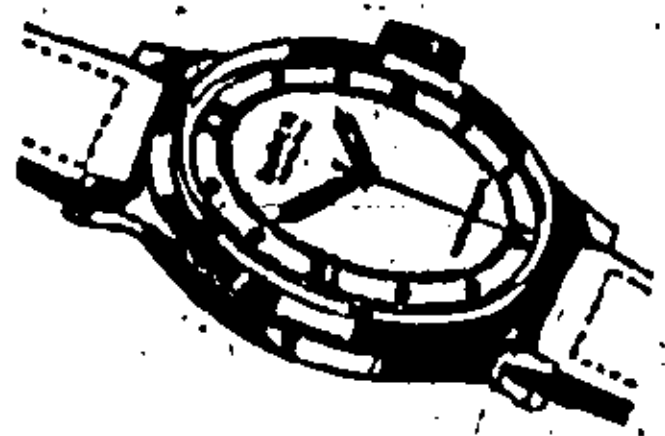
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JEFF HING
Outsider—Whirlaway.

Race No. 3.
ROSE EMME
FIFTH ALARM
ROYAL COMMISSION
Outsider—Sunlight.

Race No. 4.
HOSTILE WITNESS
BURGE
LOLA SAPOLA
Outsider—Jadestone.

Race No. 5.
NORSE QUEEN
SHANNON
SOOKUNPOO
Outsider—Daisy Bell.

Race No. 6.
FLYING WHEEL
TUNNY
TOOTSIE
Outsider—Shanghai Beauty.

Race No. 7.
SPEEDWAY
HAPPY VALLEY
MASTERSPIECE
Outsider—Crown Witness.

Services Boxing On Tuesday

An inter-services boxing tournament is to be held at the Fleet Club Theatre on Tuesday night, Dec. 9.

A programme of ten fights has been arranged between the cream of the Service boxers. Proceeds will go to the Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association.

The general public are invited to attend the tournament which will start at 8 p.m. Seats, which can be booked at the Fleet Club Office, are \$10, \$5 and \$3. All bouts will consist of three 2-minute rounds. The following is the programme:—L. W. P. (H.M.S. London) v. D. M. Klemm (H.M.S. London); Cpl. Atkinson (R.A.F. Kaitake) v. St. Broth (H.M.S. London); Sgt. Jones (1st Devon) v. Mne. Kettlewell (H.M.S. London); Sgt. Carr (1st Innisk) v. Mne. Bull (H.M.S. Kaitake); L.A.C. Naylor (R.A.F. Kaitake) v. Sgt. Barr (1st Innisk); P.O. Scullion (H.M.S. London) v. L. Cpl. Laurensen (H.M.S. London); A.B. McLaughlin (H.M.S. London) v. Pte. Finch (1st Devon); St. Donnelly (H.M.S. London) v. Pte. Finch (1st Devon); St. Moch, English (H.M.S. London) v. Pte. Thomas (1st Devon); Mne. Higgs (H.M.S. London) v. Pte. Lambert (1st Devon).

FOOTBALL FIXTURES: Kitchee And KMB To Clash Today

One of the most important games in the Second round of the First Division of the Football League will be played this afternoon at Causeway Bay when Kitchee and Kowloon Motor Bus meet.

A win for Kitchee will practically assure them of the title while a win for Motor Bus will bring them into the running for the Championship. St. Joseph's, who meet Eastern at Caroline Hill, will have the assistance of their Macao players and should give Eastern a good game.

The following is today's programme:—
1ST DIVISION
Innisk v. South China, Sookunpoo 4 p.m.
Ref.—H. Blaby, Linesmen: Y. F. Mak/P.P. Li.
Kwong Wah v. Police, 2.30 p.m.
Ref.—A. F. Willis, Linesmen: M. Lui/E. Nichols.
Police v. Club, Police 4 p.m.
Ref.—A. Brown, Linesmen: J. Ward/P.M. Taylor.
R.A.F. v. C.A.A. Club 4 p.m.
Ref.—T. H. Pollack, Linesmen: S.M. Easton/D. L. Lee.
St. Joseph's v. Eastern, C. Hill 4 p.m.
Ref.—J. F. Silva, Linesmen: A. Higgs/C. F. Wood.

Lien Hwa Maintain A Winning Streak

Lien Hwa continued to maintain their winning streak when they blanked out a Manila All Chinese team 3-0 this afternoon in their third soccer match here. Although the local boys displayed fine defensive teamwork, they were outplayed from the beginning. The Malaysians are playing a return match tomorrow against the Manila Football League team whom they overwhelmed in their initial game early this week.—Reuter.

INDIAN SOFTBALLERS TO MEET "THE REST"

(By "Grandstand")
Once again the peace and tranquillity of Caroline Hill will be disturbed with resounding battle-cries of contesting Softball teams as the Indians take on the Rest of the Colony at 10 a.m. followed by the clash between the Chinese belles and the Portuguese lassies in the last of the Softball Exhibitions at the South China Stadium, held in aid of the local Boys' and Girls' clubs organisations.

Heavy slugging Jindoo Hussain, left, has been nominated to hold the managerial reins of the Indian contingent in their bid to regain pride and prestige lost when they suffered their first setback in recent years when they were eliminated by Great Britain in the last Official International series.

Starting battery will be Kassa Nazarin and that peppy hind-swinging Sabu Samy to spark an infield line-up with "Homur" Baker at first base, I. M. Omar holding the mid-way sack and Benny "Beantop" Omar, cavorting around the far turn. The task of plugging up the windy alley has been allotted to Capone Rummah while Jindoo Hussain, Junior Markar and Sherry Bucks will be roaming the pastures. Defensively the Indians are practically air-tight and if batting averages are anything to be depended on these lads will be hard to beat.

There have been several changes in both the Chinese and Portuguese line-ups during the last few days which has got our operator a bit groggy. However, there is a rumour around town that manager-coach Bill Woo for China has come up with several new "discoveries" and will field one of the strongest teams ever to represent China in the International games. From the meagre information handed in by our intelligence department I figure on the following probable line-up: Mary Ng (pitcher), Pau Bee (catcher), Alice Mar (1st base), Ullie Khoo (2nd base), Peg Gee (3rd base), Helen Lo (short-stop). Outfielders: Jean Lee, Mary Bunn and Ella Chinn. I may be wrong.

The following will represent Club against Army today, at 4.15 p.m. on Sookunpoo ground:—Morgan, R. Thompson, R. Tattam, M.L. Chester, A. Strachan, S. Cressford, J.R. Henderson, M. Carroll, D. McWhirter, H.M.G. Forrester, E.J. Brown, T. Bowman, G. Godfrey, D. Johnston and J. Small.

The following are the St. Joseph's Football Club players for the week-end:—

Seniors v. Eastern Caroline Hill, Saturday, 4 p.m.—MacDougall, Ramon Ma and Castilho, Pacheco, Airoa and Manson; Xavier, G. Pereira, Carvalho or Cruz, Gomes and B. Omar.
Juniors v. Kowloon Motor Bus on Sunday, Police ground 2.30 p.m.—Jones, Rosa Pereira, and Brown; Noronha, A. Xavier and Martins; Nuno, Soares, Santos, Erickson, and Ebrahim.
Reserves:—Castilho, and Peres. Linesman:—A. Sousa.

Molthen, Jindoo Hussain and Kassa Nazarin.
Junior League schedule for the week-end:
Saturday 6.15.47
2.45 p.m. United Nations v. Rangers
Linesman: Philo Remedios, Hal Winslow, Leo Castro.
4.00 p.m. Cosmos v. Wildfires
Linesman: Hal Winslow, Philo Remedios, Samy.
Sunday, 7.15.47
2.45 p.m. Jaguars v. Darcovilla
Linesman: Doc Molthen, Sabu Samy, Leo Tavaras.
4.00 p.m. Rases v. Blue Beetles
Linesman: Hal Winslow, Philo Remedios, Erickson.
All above games at C.B.A. Ground.

No less unenviable will be the job of umpiring this game, and the following have been selected for the task: Prexy Doe

appeared, it was carrying 155 lbs. It was then beaten by Peacock but with this pony not being used, would appear that Tootsie is due for a win at last. It will again be ridden by Mr. Tang Man Wa, and the weight is 4 lbs. more than the previous occasion. Tunny (Mr. S.L. Yuen) however, must be regarded as a dangerous contender as it will be carrying 140 lbs., 2 lbs. less than at the last meeting when it lost to the above pony by ½ length.

Seventh Race

Final Handicap—(Second Section)—1½ Miles.
Second Section "B" Class Australian ponies will wind up the day's and the year's programme. For coming in second to Hussain in the Rob Tar Handicap (Second Section "B" Class) over one mile at the last meeting, Speedway (Mr. S.V. Tang), has been penalised 14 lbs. whilst Happy Valley (Mr. K. Kwok) has gone up 7 lbs. for taking third position in the same race. It would appear, therefore, that these two ponies will vie for honours, but Crown Witness (Mr. Outramoff), carrying 143 lbs., must also be considered. The latter pony should give the other two ponies a good run, and can possibly win. Masterpiece (Mr. Brodie), Hol Pallot (Mr. Wong Yan) and Flying Arrow (Mr. Shier), should find some support, but for a win, but for the other minor positions.

At 3 p.m. the Navy are having their final trial when the 4th Submarine Flotilla meets the Rest of the Navy. This should be an interesting match as the majority of one side come from H.M.S. London, who will provide the nucleus of the Navy side for the second half of the season, and the majority of the other from H.M.S. Adamant who have provided most of the Navy team so far. Competition will be very keen to get into the Navy side whilst both these ships are still in Hong Kong.

At 4.15 the Army are entertaining the Club. Chief interest in the affair, undoubtedly, will be the appearance of Carroll and Chester, both of whom have had considerable experience at home and who, when they got used to the local conditions, should greatly strengthen the Club side. Carroll will be playing in the front row in the place of Moffam who is on the sick list and Chester, in the centre in the place of J. Taylor who is out of the Colony. Other changes due to injuries in the so far undefeated Club side are Morgan for Ingram at full back and Johnson for A. Taylor in the back row of the scrum. The Army have a strong side but with their dangerous backs may well turn the tables on the Club who beat them 14-0 two weeks ago.

MAJOR BATTLE RAGING IN STH. HONAN

Crack Red Troops Leave Tapieh Base

Shanghai, Dec. 5.
A major battle was raging in the south of Honan province today as 50,000 crack troops of Communist General Liu Po Cheng were breaking out of their base in the Tapieh mountains on the border of Honan-Anhui-Hopeh provinces and running headlong into a strong column closing in on the area.

General Pal Chung-hai, the Minister of National Defence, who has been personally directing offensive against one-eyed General Liu's forces from his new headquarters at the Yangtze port of Kluikang, has proceeded to Hankow in order to be nearer the scene of this engagement.

General Hsu Tso-yi, the Chief of Staff of General Pal Chung-hai's Kluikang headquarters, claimed tonight that Government troops had virtually completed the encirclement of General Liu's 50,000 strong army which is now fighting savagely between Singan-Kwangchuan highway in South Honan and the Tapieh mountains to avoid annihilation.

He said a definite decision ought to be forthcoming within ten days or so.

General Hsu estimated the total strength in the Tapieh area at 80,000 men, and said a decisive victory in the present South Honan battle would leave

only 30,000 Communists still entrenched in the mountains to be dealt with.

Chinese Press reports tonight, however, state that General Shen Yi—who with General Liu Po-cheng shares the command of the Communist forces in the south of the Great Wall—is massing an army of 50,000 well-trained men at a point about 100 miles north-east of the present fighting and may yet decide to participate in the battle.

Meanwhile, General Fu Tso-yi, newly appointed C-in-C in North China, told reporters in Peking that his new headquarters would be set up in the immediate future somewhere in the suburbs of Peking.

He stressed the importance of securing the support of the general public in the Government's military campaign against the Communists.

The Government controlled Central News Agency reported from Paoing today that General Mao Tse-tung, China's number one Communist, has convoked a conference of all top-ranking Communist military and political leaders in the mountainous area of Western Hopei.

The report added that General Mao arrived at the "new hide-out" from Fowling, 80 miles west of Paoing.—Reuter.

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British Assurances On Japan Peace

London, Dec. 4.
A high Australian source today disclosed here that Australia had received renewed assurances from Britain that the Foreign Secretary (Mr. Ernest Bevin) would not agree to the Soviet or Chinese proposals for Big Power veto in the Japanese peace settlement.

The source said the reassurances came after China proposed that the 11 nations of the Far Eastern Commission start work on the Japanese treaty, with veto rights reserved to Russia, the United States, Britain and China.

To date, Britain has answered neither the Chinese note nor the subsequent Soviet proposal for a January meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers for the purpose of starting work on the Japanese settlement.

The British and American talks on the Russian, and presumably the Chinese, proposal are going on here in official secrecy.

The Australian source said, "At the Canberra conference last August, nations of the British Commonwealth agreed that there would be no big power veto in the Japanese question. Now Mr. Bevin has given us renewed assurance that he will stick to that policy."

He said Australia felt that both the British and American positions "are as firmly against extension of the veto to the Far East as can be expected."

United Press.

The following will represent HQ Land Forces against Talkoo on the Sookunpoo Ground, 2.30 p.m. HQ Land Forces:—Perry, Watts, Smith, Derry, Brown, Williams, Clarke, Harrison, Benner, Hannigan, Dauch.

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Joe Louis Bout May Be Broadcast

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Princess A Drunken Driver?

London, Dec. 5.
Thirty-four year old Princess Indira Devi, of Kapurthala, was today committed for trial after pleading not guilty before a London magistrate to a charge of driving a car while under the influence of drink to such an extent as to be incapable of having proper control.

She was allowed a bail of £50.

A police officer said that a car, driven erratically in Hyde Park, struck a refuge and afterwards moved repeatedly from the side to the centre of the road. When he stopped the car the Princess got out, smelling strongly of alcohol, and was so unsteady that she had to hold his arm.

A police surgeon said that when he examined the Princess she was unable to sit up and could not stand without support.

"The Princess said: 'It's the first trouble I have had.'"

Reuter.

Last Practice Games At Today's Rugby

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